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Ray of light in NHL talks

NHL commissioner Gary Bettman, right, leaves with assistant commissioner Bill Daly after collective bargaining talks in Toronto on Tuesday. The NHL has presented a new offer to the players that it hopes will end the lockout and allow for a full 82-game season. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hopeful. NHL offers new deal to players, hopes to end lockout and start season Nov. 2

Let the serious negotiations begin.

After more than a month with no new offers being tabled in collective bargaining talks, the NHL breathed new life into the process Tuesday with a proposal that could kick-start some significant discussions.

It calls for a 50-50 split of revenues between owners and players and includes a deferred salary plan designed to ensure that players would receive all the money they've been promised in existing contracts. On top of that, the deal was drawn up with an eye to starting a full 82-game regular season Nov. 2.

"We have about nine or 10 days to get this all ... signed, sealed and delivered," said commissioner Gary Bettman, who called the proposed deal "long-term."

A lot will need to be accomplished over that period. However, the unexpected proposal offered fans the first real hint of hope since the lockout began Sept. 15.

The sides have met regularly since that time, but their discussions were largely limited to secondary issues. The league eventually grew tired of waiting for a new offer from the NHL Players' Association and decided to try to move things forward with a proposal of its own.

Donald Fehr, the NHLPA's executive director, spent Tuesday afternoon reviewing the lengthy document and held an evening conference call with about 60 players. His initial reaction to the offer was that it could provide something to work with.

"I would like to believe that it will be an excellent starting point and we can go forward and see if there is a deal to be made," said Fehr.

The new offer was greeted with cautious optimism by locked-out players who have had to secure their own ice time to stay in shape during the lockout. Following an informal skate in Vancouver on Tuesday, Canucks goaltender Cory Schneider expressed hope that labour peace could finally be on the horizon.

"For them to make a move towards us, it at least signals that they are serious about negotiating and getting started. Up until this point, we weren't fully convinced of that. This is obviously a good step towards that." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Infrastructure

Nenshi wants flexible federal funding for transit

Mayor Naheed Nenshi doesn't want Calgary to end up cornered into a public-private partnership in order to qualify for federal funding to expand LRT lines, as an advocacy group says happened in Edmonton.

"Right now, the real problem is that the only dedicated federal funding at this moment is through P3 Canada," Nenshi said Tuesday.

"I will be in Ottawa in November to really press the federal government to renew their other infrastructure programs and to create a dedicated fund for transit."

Ottawa's P3 Canada Fund is aimed at promoting at least partial private-sector involvement in public projects.

But Public Interest Alberta (PIA) alleges federal officials pressured Edmonton city councillors into agreeing to a major privatization of its expanded LRT line, including private operation of transit service.

Edmonton's initial application didn't include private operation, said PIA executive director Bill Moore-Kilgannon, but councillors then changed their minds at a behind-closed-doors meeting on Aug. 29.

Nenshi said he's not opposed to public-private partnerships per se, but the approach doesn't appear to make sense for transit expansion in Calgary.

"They're very, very big and complex projects and we haven't really seen that the savings are there," Nenshi said.

Ald. Shane Keating said he's open to private partnership, especially if it helps accelerate a southeast LRT line.

"P3s may be the way to go," he said.

ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

Oilers. Katz snubs council's Edmonton-arena invite

Edmonton Oilers owner Daryl Katz took a dismissive pass on an invitation to speak to city council Wednesday, as the deal to bring a new downtown arena seemed more and more precarious.

In a letter to Mayor Stephen Mandel that was released to the media, Katz said he saw no point in him or anyone from his organization coming to city council, because basic details of the agreement had not been resolved.

"Aside from the many issues to be resolved, we and the city cannot even agree on basic assumptions relating to the financial aspects of operating a new arena."

He also raised the spectre that the deal is dead.

"Perhaps with more time and political leadership, this project can be saved. But as it stands, we remain far apart."

Mandel set Wednesday as a drop-dead date for the deal to move forward. Reached before Katz's letter was released, Mandel said it was very important for the group to come to city council.

"We would hope that they would come. Citizens of Edmonton expect them to be there given the size and amount of money that are entailed with this."

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Cost estimate

The last estimate for the cost of constructing the proposed downtown arena was $475 million. The Oilers lease at Rexall Place ends in 2014.

Edmonton Mayor Stephen Mandel
METRO FILE

Suite safety takes 'step in the right direction'

Education first. The City of Calgary will work with landlords and tenants to bring suites up to code before issuing penalties

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City officials will target 50 rental suites for inspection in the coming weeks under a pilot project described as a small but positive step by the stepfather of a young woman killed in a basement-suite fire.

But Calgary needs to do much more to address the problem of rental-suite safety, said Ernie Halliday, whose stepdaughter Tiffany Cox died in 2009 at the age of 19.

"As long as there's follow-up and these places get up to code, by all means, it's a step in the right direction," Halliday said of the "Suite Safety" initiative announced Tuesday.

Ten landlords a week for five weeks will receive letters from the city informing them that their suites have been identified for inspection.

Suites were chosen largely based on complaints from neighbours "or even tenants, sometimes," said chief building official Kevin Griffiths.

Any rental units that existed pre-2007 fall under the Alberta Fire Code and the fire department "will be leading the inspections for those suites," said acting Fire Marshal Ed Kujat.

But Halliday said the multiple levels of jurisdiction governing rental-unit safety complicate the process and there ought to be inspectors with the authority to enforce municipal, provincial and federal regulations all at once.

"It's not rocket science," he said. "There's so much red tape in our current process."

Safety concerns

- Calgary's current bylaws distract from genuine safety concerns, Ernie Halliday said, as many "very nice" rental suites get shut down for not having the proper land-use designation.
- "Do what every other major city in Canada has done and forgo the land-use designation requirement," Halliday advised.

Acting Fire Marshal Ed Kujat explains the role the Calgary Fire Department will play in the city's "Suite Safety" pilot project that was announced on Tuesday. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO CALGARY

Animal rights. Controversial southern Alberta zoo gets permit renewed

The embattled southern Alberta roadside zoo, GuZoo, which is home to over 400 animals, got the greenlight from the province to continue operations under stricter conditions. METRO FILE

The owners of GuZoo, a controversial private zoo in Three Hills, Alta., are relieved the facility's operating permit has been renewed.

The renewal comes following more than a year of legal limbo and stress for Bill Gustafson and his father Lynn, who operate the roadside zoo.

A viral social media campaign in 2011 demanding the zoo's closure sparked outcry from people across the globe and led to death threats, said Bill Gustafson.

"I think the animals came through it better than we did. It was a hate campaign," he said.

"We've worked with the owner of GuZoo to renew the permit," said Jessica Potter, spokesperson with Alberta environment and sustainable resource development.

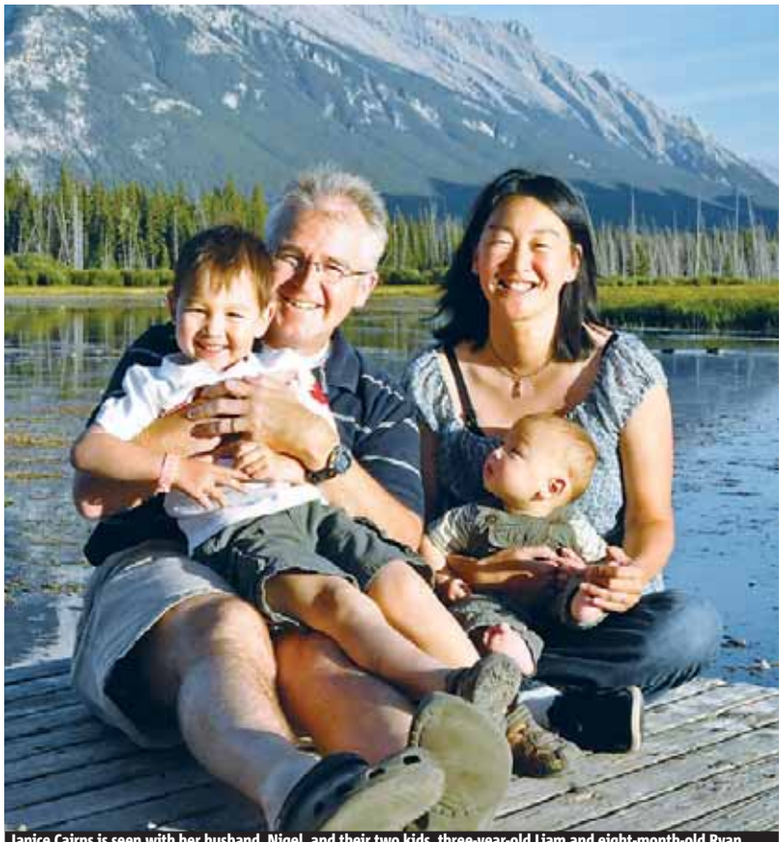
Julie Woodyer, with Zoocheck Canada, said she was shocked that the "substandard facility" was re-permitted.

"The animals are paying the ultimate price for this. They're paying with a lifetime of suffering," she said.

ANNALISE KLINGBEIL/METRO

GuZoo

- GuZoo first opened in 1990 and is today home to nearly 400 animals.
- The roadside attraction lost its licence and was closed for more than a month in June 2011.
- Alberta environment and sustainable resource development renewed the facility's permit last week.



Janice Cairns is seen with her husband, Nigel, and their two kids, three-year-old Liam and eight-month-old Ryan. The Calgary woman was killed by a rock that crashed through the windshield of her family's vehicle on Oct. 5.
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Loved ones mourn and celebrate woman lost to freak accident

Memorial. Janice Cairns was killed by a flying rock in B.C. earlier this month

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Barely more than eight years ago, Nigel Cairns stood on a mountain in Fernie, B.C., and proposed to the love of his life, Janice.

The pair were inseparable and quickly became known for their excursions. Their honeymoon alone spanned 33 countries and six continents.

But it was one last trip the Calgary couple took Thanksgiving weekend with their two sons, Liam, 3, and Ryan, eight months, that the family wishes it could take back, said Rev. Julian Studden during a celebration of Janice Cairns' life on Tuesday.

Donate

- Those wishing to make a tribute in memory of Janice Cairns are asked to donate to the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation or Calgary's St. Michael Catholic Community Church.

While on a bridge near Canal Flats, B.C., Oct. 5, the Cairns' Subaru was struck by a large rock that had been thrown by the wheel of a passing semi-truck.

The flying stone went through the windshield and struck Janice, who was sitting in the front passenger seat, in the head. RCMP have said the impact likely killed her instantly.

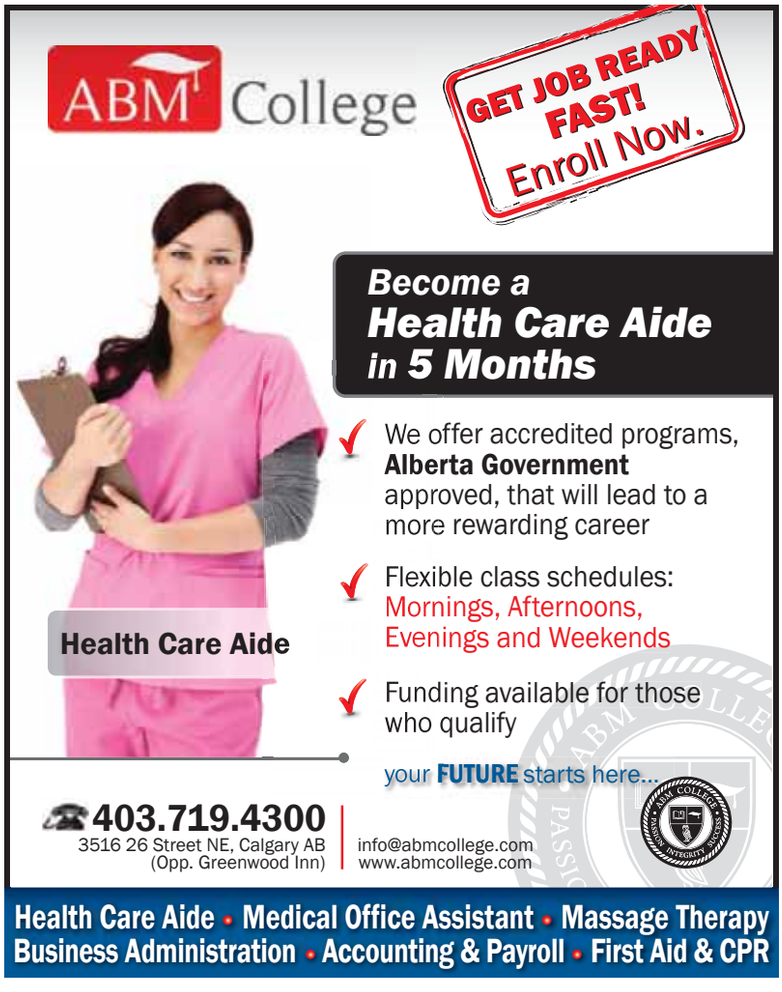
"Had you known when you put that turkey in the oven and went up to Canal Flats, had you known that your return journey would be a sad one, you would have stayed back at home and cried your hearts out," Studden said. "Life is short, life is uncertain, but life is beautiful."

As proof of his words, Studden was quick to point out Liam and Ryan. The older of the two could be seen repeatedly offering tissues to his sobbing father during the service.

Nigel did not address the audience Tuesday, but Janice's brother, Richard Lam, painted a picture of a caring mother with a spirit that was hard to match.

Lam recalled fond memories from the childhood they shared, such as pre-recording audio to fool their mother into thinking they were partaking in dreaded piano lessons, and using Janice as a hesitant goalie to refine his hockey skills.

"I knew I had to pick the corners and not hit the goalie, or else the goalie would run away and tell Mom," Lam said, before marvelling at the wonderful woman his sister had grown into and the beautiful family she had.



Shrink accused. Sexual-assault trial put on hold after suspect falls ill

The trial of a prominent Calgary psychiatrist accused of sexually assaulting patients who were ordered by the court to see him came to a halt Tuesday after he was hospitalized.

Dr. Aubrey Levin, who is 73, was taken to hospital Monday night.

"We are advised he will undergo a medical procedure this week," Justice Donna Shelley informed the seven-man, five-woman jury.

Aubrey Levin THE CANADIAN PRESS

Shelley didn't reveal any details about the medical procedure. She adjourned the case until Monday when the court will assess Levin's ability to proceed.

Last week a different jury determined that Levin, who is accused of sexually assaulting 10 men, was mentally fit to stand trial.

Levin's defence team had originally asked for a delay in the proceedings, arguing he has several health challenges including diabetes and congestive heart failure. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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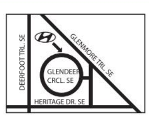

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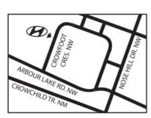

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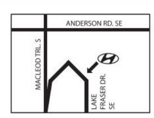

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Nexen. Protesters raise alarm on Falun Gong issue

Demonstrators stage a mock organ harvest outside city hall in Calgary Tuesday to protest what they describe as persecution against Falun Gong practitioners in China by CNOOC, a state-owned oil company. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

China National Offshore Oil Corporation's bid to buy Nexen should not be allowed to proceed if the state-owned company continues to persecute Falun Gong practitioners in China, demonstrators in Calgary argued on Tuesday.

"If we allow this to happen, really, what are we becoming?" said Jenny Yang of the Calgary Falun Dafa Association. "This is a monstrous crime against humanity."

Demonstrators set up a mock surgical operation in front of city hall as a graphic illustration of one of the most horrific allegations against the Chinese government: that they live-harvest organs from practitioners of the spiritual discipline, outlawed in China.

There is significant evidence that CNOOC persecutes followers of Falun Gong among its staff, said Calgary Mountain View MLA David Swann, who took part in the demonstration.

In addition to labour camps and brainwashing programs, that persecution is alleged to include "potentially submitting them to the same type of forced organ donation that we have heard so much about in the last five years," Swann said.

Shareholders of Nexen, a Calgary-based oil and gas giant, have approved CNOOC's offer to buy the company but the deal is currently under review by the federal government.

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Cyberbullying 'not top-of-mind for most Albertans': Survey

Awareness of cyberbullying is on the rise in Alberta, but only one-in-five identified it as being a leading behaviour when surveyed on the topic earlier this year.

This comes as debate continues to swirl over how best to protect children in the wake of a B.C. cyberbullying victim's apparent suicide.

Amanda Todd made the mistake of exposing her breasts on a webcam while in junior high, leading to years of torment and abuse by many. RCMP believe the 15-year-old took her own life last week.

According to a provincial Ministry of Human Services survey conducted in January, 19 per cent of Albertans identify cyberbullying as a leading behaviour among bullies, still well behind physical and verbal abuse. Results were released Tuesday.

Kim Edwards, a bullyproofing facilitator with Alberta's Dare to Care program, said the challenge for parents is keeping up with the constantly-evolving technology being used by their kids.

"We have to do the best to keep the gap as small as possible," she added.

While identification of cyberbullying nearly doubled over a similar survey conducted in 2010, a summary report indicates the behaviour is still "not top-of-mind for most Albertans."

Do you know what your kids are doing online? METRO FILE

The human services ministry will be hosting a webcast for parents Nov. 13 at 7 p.m.

"We want to educate ... increase awareness about how people can use the Internet in the opposite way, to support people," said spokesperson Greg Part.

The province also launched a 24-hour bullying hotline for parents and kids in 2006. To date, it has received 2,500 calls, and websites developed by the province on the topic of bullying have garnered nearly six million visits.

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Olympian leaving Calgary to train in U.S.

Looking ahead. Jessica Zelinka relocating after a decade in Calgary

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Two-time Olympian Jessica Zelinka was convinced before heading to London this past summer that these Summer Games would be her last.

"They were for sure going to be my last Games. I figured, another four years, it's not going to happen," she said. "I wasn't expecting to have a breakthrough in the hurdles."

But it was only a short while after her final event that she posed a question to her husband. "What about another Olympics?" she said with a laugh. "To my surprise he said, 'yeah, if that's what you want to do.'"

Zelinka, a heptathlete by trade, finished seventh in both the heptathlon and the 100-m hurdles — an event she wasn't expecting to qualify for the Olympics in.

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"As long as I'm still improving and am able to reach my goals, I'll be happy doing it."
Olympic heptathlete Jessica Zelinka

"Now my options are more open," she said. "Next year, I'll probably focus on the hurdles and focus on my jumps."

She'll be training in a new city and a new country. The day after returning from London, the couple made the decision to move to Stamford, Connecticut, where Nathaniel had been offered a job running a water polo program.

"It's been our home," she said. "It's where I met my husband at the U of C, it's where our daughter was born."

She said working towards the 2016 Summer Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in a new place will be difficult.

"I relied a lot on Calgary to help get me to both Olympics," she said. "It's not goodbye — I hate goodbyes."

After a breakthrough year in the 100-m hurdles, heptathlete Jessica Zelinka said she's going to shoot for one more Olympic Games. DAVE HOLLAND/CONTRIBUTED

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Grass fire

Court put over for men charged with not escaping blaze

Three men charged for not leaving an area during a massive grass fire in southern Alberta have had their court date put over.

Fred Oliver Watmough, 65, Kevin Watmough, 30, and Allan Watmough, 28, all of Lethbridge, face charges of assaulting a peace officer, resisting arrest and obstructing a peace officer.

The charges stem from an incident on Sept. 10, the day a power line was downed by high winds and sparked a huge grass fire.

Police allege the three refused to leave an area that officials had deemed unsafe and ordered people to evacuate. Their next court appearance will be Oct. 31.

The fire forced about 2,200 people from their homes in several communities, including parts of Lethbridge, until the blaze could be brought under control.

The wind-whipped fire quickly scorched about 50 square kilometres of farmland and prairie grasses.

The event caused many downed power lines, burned fence posts, scorched land and damaged buildings and vehicles.

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Homegrown features

Four Calgary indie flicks

FUBAR: Canada's beloved brothers in headbanging, Terry Cahill (Dave Lawrence) and Dean "Deaner" Murdoch (Paul Spence) epitomized the mullet-sporting, beer-shotgunning metalheads of yore. Though certainly not the first mockumentary, its style and humour has been frequently copied during the past decade.

Lloyd the Conqueror: Starring Brian Posehn (the Sarah Silverman Program) and Mike Smith (Bubbles from Trailer Park Boys), Lloyd the Conqueror is a very funny look at the lighter side of LARPing (Live-Action Role Playing.) Directed by Michael Peterson, it won the best feature film award at this year's Alberta Film & Television Awards.

The Dead Mile: Calgary's annual Zombie Walk is the backdrop of this independent horror-comedy, directed by K.J. Kleefeld. Little do the thousands of Zombie Walk enthusiasts know, as they wander through downtown Calgary in homemade costumes, that they've been infiltrated by the real walking dead. It's up to zombie apocalypse conspiracy theorist Tyler (Shawn Roe) to save the day.

The Suburbanators: The 1997 feature debut of Calgary director Gary Burns (Waydowntown, Radiant City), this slacker comedy features a solid soundtrack of popular '90s Calgary bands, including Wagbeard, Field Day and The Primrods. While there isn't much of a plot, it's still an interesting and amusing study into being young and bored living in Calgary's sprawling suburbs.

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Filmmakers Gettin' In on movie biz

Writer-director Jason Wan Lim, left, and co-producer Kyle Cooper are excited to premiere their new teen-oriented comedy, Gettin' In. LISA WILTON/FOR METRO

Locally shot raunchy teen comedy. Calgary's answer to American Pie

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When it comes to making movies, financial considerations are just as important as artistic integrity, according to one local filmmaker.

"If we're trying to get money to make a movie, there is the concept of financial integrity," explains Jason Wan Lim, who wrote and directed the new teen comedy Gettin' In.

"The investor wants to know why they're putting money into something if they can't make money back. You can keep a movie under your bed or enjoy it with your friends. But you have to think about your audience, because ultimately film is a very expensive medium."

In fact, Lim scrapped his original action-movie idea after meeting with a wealthy Calgary oil executive who wanted invest in a film that would appeal to the teen demographic.

"Action was just too expensive to do convincingly," says Lim.

"We had horror or comedy to choose from and I didn't really want to dabble in horror at the time, so I chose comedy."

The result is the raunchy teen-oriented flick, Gettin' In, which premieres at Canyon Meadows Cinemas Wednesday night.

It could very well be called Calgary Pie, as it follows much of the same formula as the popular American Pie franchise and other crude comedies such as Superbad.

Gettin' In follows the exploits of 17-year-old Joey Wald (played by Mount Royal University grad Joe Perry), who is desperate to lose his virginity to the woman of his dreams.

"We freely call ourselves the best teen comedy to come out of Calgary," Lim says with a laugh.

"We may be the only one."

Shot in Calgary during August and September of 2011, Gettin' In cost under $1 million to make and is already catching the eye of some Hollywood distributors.

"The biggest compliment we get is that it doesn't look like a Canadian movie," says co-producer Kyle Cooper, who graduated from SAIT's film and video program last year.

"It looks professional. As long as we can convince people it's a well-made film, the idea that it's a crude comedy entices them even more."

Gettin' In best of Calgary

- Gettin' In also screens Oct. 18, 22 and 24 at 7:15 p.m. at Canyon Meadows Cinemas.
- The movie features songs by 18 local bands, six of which will play the Best-of-Calgary Concert Oct. 20 at The Gateway at SAIT.

Calgary-shot teen comedy Gettin' In premieres Wednesday at Canyon Meadows cinemas. CONTRIBUTED

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"The biggest compliment we get is that it doesn't look like a Canadian movie." Kyle Cooper, co-producer

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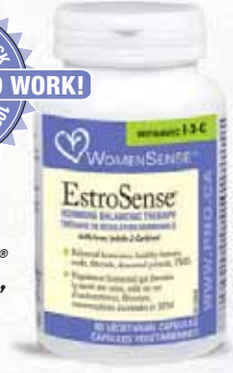

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Debating the issues (and going for the knockout punch): Republican presidential contender Mitt Romney and U.S. President Barack Obama mix it up during their televised "town hall" debate Tuesday night.
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He's awake! Obama goes on the attack in second debate

Tense faceoffs. White House contenders cross swords over jobs, domestic energy, women's rights — and that pipeline

Listless? Not anymore!

A sharper, energetic Barack Obama emerged Tuesday night in his second televised debate against Mitt Romney.

As millions of viewers watched, Obama energetically got down to the business at hand — putting the brakes on his Republican rival's sudden momentum in a tense, tight race to the White House.

An angry Obama showed himself at last — eyes flashing, teeth clenched, fitted with fact and fury — intent on stopping the bleeding that threatens to cost him his job.

But Romney was steeled as well, determined to deepen the damage done two weeks ago, when Obama let the Republican challenger breezily claim the mantle of middle-class moderate.

Among the tense faceoffs Tuesday night: Jobs, domestic energy — and TransCanada's Keystone XL pipeline.

At one point, Romney strode uncomfortably close to Obama as he chastised him for failing to greenlight the pipeline.

Romney also attempted to talk over moderator Candy Crowley, who was having none of it.

Obama and Romney both tried to appeal to female voters.

Obama noted that the first piece of legislation he signed made it easier for women to seek the same pay as men.

Romney said as governor of Massachusetts, his administration had a number of women in senior leadership positions.

He said many women have suffered job losses and moved into poverty during Obama's tenure and creating more jobs would help women.

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A new approach

It was a debate with a difference — six, in fact.

- **One.** This was a "town-hall" debate where people representing a cross-section of America got to ask the questions.
- **Two.** The Gallup organization picked about 80 uncommitted voters.
- **Three.** All questioners were screened before.
- **Four.** The questioners couldn't simply raise their hands and be called at random.
- **Five.** Moderator Candy Crowley of CNN and helpers decided who asked the questions.
- **Six.** The debaters weren't moored to a lectern or table — and viewers could check out their body language.

Anonymous' tip on suspected Todd tormentor false, RCMP say

This online video shows the Capper Awards. The man suspected of blackmailing Amanda Todd was nominated as "blackmailer of the year" in 2010 after extorting a user identified as Peyton. SCREEN GRAB

Amanda Todd suicide. Group's allegation 'unfounded,' police say, though cited user has history of blackmail and perversion

JESSICA SMITH
Metro in Toronto

Allegations by an online hacker group that identified a Vancouver-area man as the tormenter of B.C. teen Amanda Todd were "unfounded," according to police.

Todd, 15, committed suicide last week after suffering years of bullying and online sexual exploitation. In September the teen posted a video on YouTube in which she described how she showed her breasts to an unknown man over a webcam. She said the man then threatened to send the pictures to friends and family unless she "put on a show" for him.

Although police said Tuesday the claims by Anonymous were false, the web handle cited in the hacker group's posting has a disturbing Internet history with links to the same kind of online exploitation that victimized Todd.

In 2010, the user was nominated as "blackmailer of the year" in the online Capper Awards, which celebrate a perverted subculture where people called cappers get young girls they call "cam whores" to expose themselves on webcams.

The user was nominated for allegedly blackmailing a different girl, identified as "Peyton." Other awards went to the "cam whore of the year" and "capper of the year."

In a video on YouTube, the mechanized voice of the cartoon host of the 2010 Capper Awards nominations announces the "blackmail" category. "This one is for the rapist of the Internet," it says.

"(The user), famous for his blackmail of Peyton, streaming her videos on BlogTV and Tinychat and threatening her in public," says the host.

An earlier video called "The Daily Capper" shows a mock news account of the accused blackmailer streaming the explicit videos of Peyton in December 2010.

"The first part shows Peyton in bra and the second in panties," says a cartoon reporter. The details get more explicit.

"We return to a second room only to find a fuming Peyton demanding to know who had played videos, and threatening to call the police," the reporter says.

The fake news report says the girl told her mother and police, but it is unclear whether her alleged blackmailer was ever found.

The Capper Awards videos remained active on YouTube as of press time, except for one that was removed after a link to it was posted on an Amanda Todd memorial Facebook page.

Anonymous also published a link to a page on jailbaitgallery.com that shows pornographic photos of young girls with a title including the same online handle.

Thrown off course

False Internet tips impeding inquiry: Police

B.C. RCMP officers investigating the exploitation and suicide of Amanda Todd say they are being thrown off course by false tips and rumours circulating on the Internet. Sgt. Peter Thiessen said the tip from hacker group Anonymous implicating a B.C. Internet user is unfounded.

The rumour that someone released Amanda Todd's autopsy photos online was debunked by the BC Coroners Service, police said. In that case, Anonymous was also said to have found the perpetrator online.

Fraudulent websites that claim to be fundraising for the Todd family have also popped up, said Thiessen.

He said there is only one real account set up by the Todd family — the RBC Amanda Todd Trust Account.

JESSICA SMITH/METRO IN TORONTO

Medical scandal.
Minister determined to recover taxpayer money

A Winnipeg doctor who had sex with two female patients and improperly wrote them OxyContin prescriptions has been suspended.

And now Manitoba's health minister said an investigation has been launched to recover any taxpayer money that may have gone toward inappropriate billing.

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Manitoba held an inquiry on the behaviour of Dr. Randy Raymond Allan, where he pleaded guilty to professional misconduct.

The college has suspended Allan for 18 months, though he hasn't been practising at his clinic since the allegations arose.

According to the inquiry panel, Dr. Allan "failed to maintain appropriate boundaries with two female patients ... that he had personal and sexual relationships with them during the same periods that he was providing medical care to them."

Dr. Allan also "issued prescriptions for OxyContin to both patients ... because of his personal and sexual relationships with them."

The panel said Dr. Allan didn't create complete medical profiles for both women and in some instances didn't note the prescriptions he wrote in their profiles.

He then billed the Manitoba government for house calls when in actuality he was visiting for sex.

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Dr. Allan

Consequences

- Under Manitoba's Regulated Health Professions Act, complaints and discipline require "a swift turnaround."
- Dr. Allan has already been suspended by the College of Physicians and Surgeons.
- The province also launched an investigation to recover any taxpayer money spent inappropriately.

Guard shot in neck at B.C. border crossing

Peace Arch tragedy.
Victim was still breathing when she was loaded into air ambulance on Tuesday, police said

Paramedics attend to an injured person following the shooting of a Canadian border guard on Tuesday in B.C.
CURTIS KREKLAU/FOR METRO

A female Canadian border guard was shot at one of the busiest crossings in Canada on Tuesday and the gunman died after apparently turning his weapon on himself, RCMP say.

The Douglas border crossing, known better as the Peace Arch crossing — which is just south of Vancouver, was closed in both directions Tuesday afternoon.

"The first report at the scene revealed that a male, a lone male, had shot an officer in her booth," said Cpl. Bert Paquet.

"At the instant following the shooting of the officer, the lone male had been pronounced dead at the scene from what appeared to be a self-inflicted gunshot wound."

Paquet said the officer's condition isn't known, but she was breathing when she was loaded into an air ambulance. He said it appeared she'd been shot in the neck.

"We haven't confirmed the identity of the suspect yet. He was entering Canada in a vehicle (with) a Washington plate."

Vic Toews, minister of public safety, said in a statement he was deeply concerned at the news.

"This event is a sobering reminder of the dangerous conditions faced daily by the men and women of our law enforcement agencies as they work to protect the safety and security of Canadians."

A spokeswoman with the Canada Border Services Agency said traffic was being diverted around the crossing.

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Terrorism. Judge allows three 9-11 defendants to miss tribunal hearing

Three of the five men charged with plotting the Sept. 11 attacks skipped their military tribunal hearing Tuesday after a judge ruled the men could not be forced to attend the session.

Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, the self-professed 9-11 mastermind, was absent as attorneys delved into a dense debate on legal motions, including rules for handling classified evidence at trial.

Mohammed, who has said he conceived and orchestrated the Sept. 11 attacks, gave no reason for avoiding the hearing but on Monday dismissed the military tribunal with scorn, saying "I don't think there is any justice in this court."

Absent

Mohammed wasn't the only one missing from the hearing. Also absent were:

- **Mustafa Ahmad al-Hawsawi,** Saudi defendant
- **Ali Abdal-Aziz,** Pakistani national, allegedly grieving the death of his father

All five defendants face the same charges, which include terrorism, conspiracy and 2,976 counts of murder in violation of the law of war.

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Horizontal tango?

Dance instructor accused of selling sex in tiny town

The first batch of more than 100 men accused of paying a fitness instructor for sex were lying low Monday after police began releasing their names in the small New England town of Kennebunk, Maine.

Alexis Wright, a 29-year-old Zumba instructor, has been charged with turning her dance studio into a brothel in the seaside community of 10,000 and secretly videotaping her encounters.

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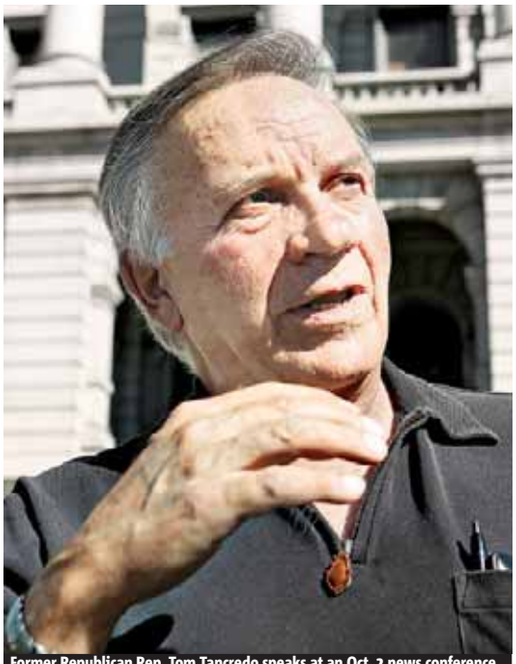
Marijuana cause makes friends left — and right



Former Republican Rep. Tom Tancredo speaks at an Oct. 2 news conference in favour of legalizing marijuana in Colorado. ED ANDRIESKI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Right-wing weed. Republicans take 'your body, your choice' philosophy; see big money in legalization

It's not all hippies backing November's marijuana legalization votes in Colorado, Oregon and Washington.

Appealing to Western individualism and a mistrust of federal government, activists have lined up some prominent conservatives, from one-time presidential hopefuls Tom Tancredo and Ron Paul to Republican-turned-Libertarian presidential candidate and former New Mexico Gov. Gary Johnson.

"It's fiscally prudent. It would be taxed, regulated, monitored. It makes a lot of sense to Republicans," said Mark Slaugh, a volunteer for the Colorado initiative who is based in Colorado Springs, which has more Republicans than anywhere else in the state.

Most Republicans still oppose legalization, including presidential candidate Mitt Romney and running mate Paul Ryan.

When activists make their appeal, it goes like this: States should dictate drug law. Decades of federal prohibition have failed where personal responsibility and old-fashioned parenting will succeed. Politicians back East have no business dictating what the states do.

Beyond boundaries

'This is truly a non-partisan issue.'

Mark Slaugh, volunteer for the Colorado legalization initiative

"What is the law against marijuana if it isn't the Nanny State telling you what you can do and what you can't do to your body and with your body?" asked Tancredo, a former Republican congressman from suburban Denver who briefly ran for president in 2008. He compared federal law to New York City's ban on sugary sodas. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Ex-Bosnian Serb leader denies war crimes

Genocide. 'I should be rewarded for all the good things I have done,' Karadzic tells tribunal

Former Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic cast himself as a "mild man, a tolerant man" as he opened his defence Tuesday in his long-running genocide trial, claiming he tried to prevent fighting and then worked to reduce casualties in the bloody 1992-95 Bosnian war.

His claims brought snorts of derision and cries of "He's lying! He's lying!" from some Muslim survivors of the war who were watching the trial from the public gallery at the United Nations tribunal.

Karadzic, 67, who faces charges including genocide and crimes against humanity, was given 90 minutes to make a statement on his role in the war that left an estimated 100,000 dead. The statement was not made under oath, meaning Karadzic could not be cross-examined by prosecutors.

In another of the tribunal's courtrooms, Goran Hadzic, a former leader of rebel Serbs in Croatia, became the last of the tribunal's 161 indicted suspects to face justice as his trial got underway. He was arrested last year in northern Serbia after more than seven years on the run and pleaded not guilty to charges of murdering hundreds of Croats and expelling tens of thousands more.

Karadzic, a former psychologist and poet, told judges he was a "physician and literary man" who was a reluctant player in the violent breakup of Yugoslavia. He said before the war many of his friends, including his hairdresser, were Muslims.

Prosecutors have painted a starkly different picture of Karadzic during months of witness testimony, portraying him as a political leader who masterminded Serb atrocities throughout the war, from campaigns of persecution and murders of Muslims and Croats early in 1992 to the conflict's bloody climax, the 1995 massacre of some 8,000 Muslim men and boys in the UN-protected Srebrenica enclave.

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Radovan Karadzic
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Rewriting history

An installation showing a little car running over a tank is seen in Osijek, Croatia, on Tuesday. It commemorates an event from the Croatian conflict in 1991 when a Yugoslav army tank ran over a similar car intentionally placed in front of it. DARKO BANDIC/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Netherlands. Art heist nets works by Picasso, Monet

Thieves broke into a Rotterdam museum on Tuesday and walked off with works from the likes of Picasso, Monet, Gauguin and Matisse potentially worth hundreds of millions.

Police haven't said how they pulled off the early-hours heist, but an expert who tracks stolen art said the robbers clearly knew what they were after.

"Those thieves got one hell of a haul," said Chris Marinello, who directs the Art Loss Register.

The heist at the Kunsthal museum is one of the largest in years in the Netherlands, and is a stunning blow for the private Triton Foundation collection, which was being exhibited publicly as a group for the first time.

Kunsthal director Emily Ansenk declined to reveal how the museum is protected, other than describing its security as "state of the art" and "functional."

Marinello said the thieves have limited options available, such as seeking a ransom from the owners, the museum or the insurers. They could conceivably sell the paintings in the criminal market too.

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Missing paintings

- The stolen paintings included: Pablo Picasso's 1971 Harlequin Head, Claude Monet's 1901 Waterloo Bridge, London and Charing Cross Bridge, London, Henri Matisse's 1919 Reading Girl in White and Yellow, and Paul Gauguin's 1898 Girl in Front of Open Window.

A Loblaws store employee brings in shopping carts in Toronto in this file photo. On Tuesday, Loblaw Co. Ltd. announced plans to cut management and administrative jobs, saying the move would reduce costs. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

Grocer to cut 700 jobs

Brampton. Reductions affect administrative and head-office staff

Loblaw Co. Ltd. is cutting hundreds of mostly head office jobs as Canada's largest supermarket chain continues a makeover aimed at making it more competitive in the increasingly crowded grocery segment.

"We're managing costs where it makes sense by reducing administrative expense," Loblaw president Vicente Trius said in announcing some 700 management and administrative jobs were being trimmed.

The company, which operates under several banners including Loblaws, Zehrs, and Real Canadian Super Store, has about 135,000 full-time and part-time employees across the country.

By the numbers

$60M

The cuts at Loblaw will result in a one-time expense of $60 million, to be recorded in the fourth quarter of its financial year.

The cuts will affect about 10 per cent of its management and administrative staff. Loblaw said the layoff notices would begin going out Tuesday and the cuts should be complete within three weeks.

"Loblaw is generally not the leanest of organizations and today's announcement is a move toward streamlining functions," RBC Capital Markets analyst Irene Nattel wrote in a report, adding that she expects the company to realize annual savings in the neighbourhood of $60 million, starting in 2013.

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China. iPhone maker dismisses underage factory interns

The company that manufactures Apple's iPhone said Tuesday it found underage interns as young as 14 working at one of its factories in China.

Foxconn Technology Group said the interns were found by a company investigation at its factory in the eastern city of Yantai and were sent back to their schools. China's minimum legal working age is 16.

Foxconn said it was investigating with schools how the interns were sent to its factory. It didn't say how many underage interns it found.

"We recognize that full responsibility for these violations rests with our company and we have apologized to each of the students for our role in this action," Foxconn said in a statement.

"Any Foxconn employee found, through our investigation, to be responsible for these violations will have their employment immediately terminated."

A labour rights group, China Labor Watch, said in a statement that primary responsibility lay with schools involved but "Foxconn is also culpable for not confirming the ages of their workers."

Foxconn has an internship program that takes vocational students who work for three to six months in its factories, accompanied by teachers.

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Foxconn

- Foxconn produces iPhones and iPads for Apple Inc. and also assembles products for Microsoft Corp. and Hewlett-Packard Co. The company gave no indication what products were made in facilities where the interns worked.

Microsoft

Surface tablet will match iPad price

Microsoft's Surface tablet computer, the company's answer to Apple Inc.'s iPad, will start at $519 in Canada when it goes on sale Oct. 26.

The price matches that of the iPad, but the base model of the Surface has twice as much storage memory: 32 gigabytes. The screen is also slightly larger. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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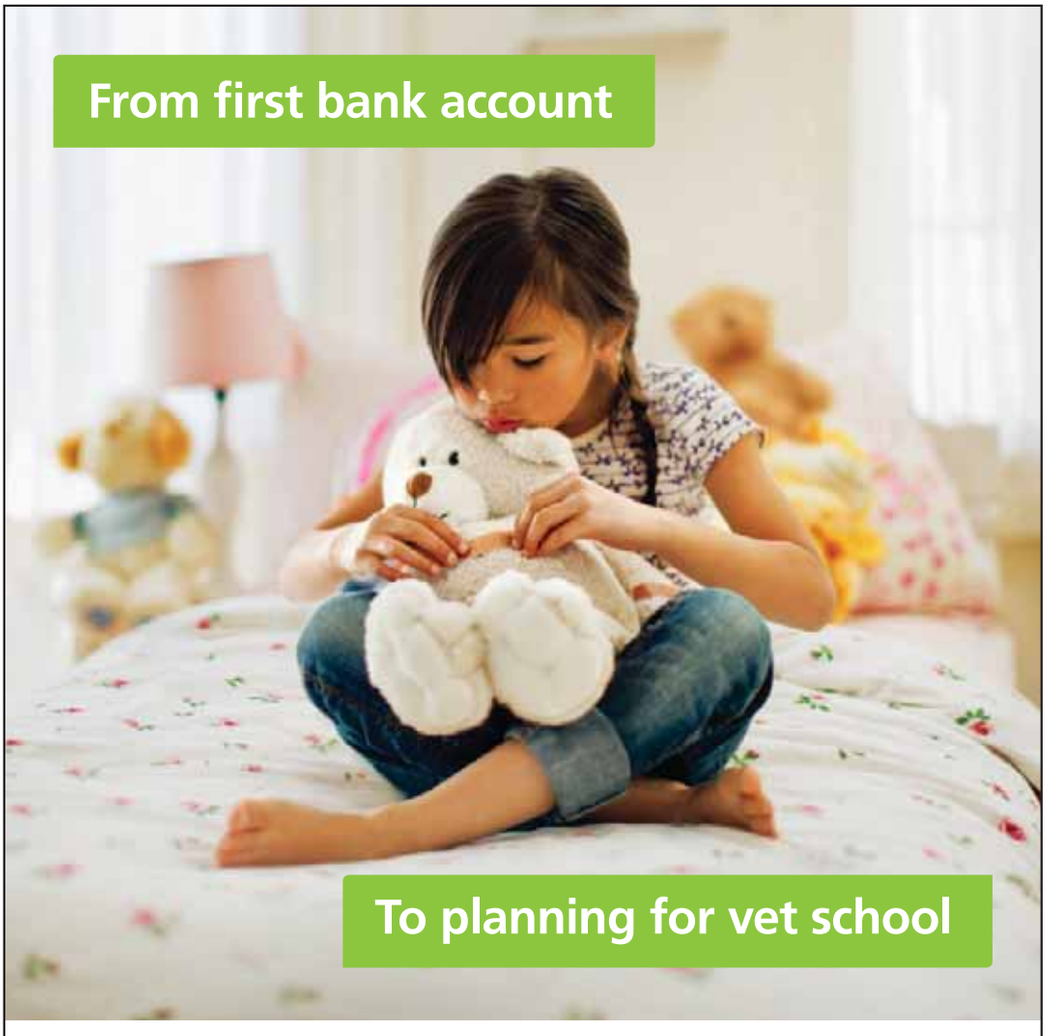

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JUST SAYIN'
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The Canadian Museum of Civilization is being rebranded.

Now it's going to be the Canadian Museum of Our Own Backyard. Er, the Canadian Museum of History.

That old mandate: "To increase, throughout Canada and internationally, interest in, knowledge and understanding of and appreciation for human cultural achievements and human behaviour…"?

That's over. It's time to turn our gaze … inward.

The feds are going to spend $25 million to teach us Canadian history, no doubt because we weren't listening the first time in Grade 8.

Instead of that civilization malarkey, we'll gather all our national clichés in one convenient location: The Last Spike, Maurice Richard's hockey sweater (le pew!), and the gag reel from This Hour Has 22 Minutes. OK, so I made that last one up. But talk about historical significance.

According to the usually informed but anonymous sources, the museum will focus on the Royal Family and the Canadian military.

Tell me this is not all part of the Harper government's ongoing effort to put the 21st century back in the bottle and rewrite Canadian history. We'll know what's really going on if Museum 2.0 has a Preston Manning wing.

The new museum will use the current Museum of Civilization building, a world-class architectural homage to human civilization. Well, it will have to do. It was either that or move it to Winnipeg, where it could take over the newly built Museum of Human Rights. After all, human rights aren't really our business, either. Let the EU or the UN or some other foreign outfit worry about that stuff.

This here's Canada. The Canada of Sir John A. Macdonald, Sir Robert Borden, R.B. Bennett, John Diefenbaker, Brian Mulroney and, of course, Stephen Harper. Did I leave anyone out?

Don't get me wrong. I agree with James Moore, minister in charge of Turning Back the Clock, that the world needs more Canada. But we already gave the world Jim Carrey and Neil Young. What more do they want? I know — Celine Dion! We'll give them Celine Dion!

We'll be able to give all these great ideas to the museum, as staff is now travelling across the country, all expenses paid, to find out what we think.

Off the top of my head, I can think of a few more suggestions: the Charter of Rights (too civilized? Too Liberal); the Canadian flag (see previous item); the story of medicare; the National Wheat Board; the National Film Board; the CBC (hmm — there's a pattern emerging here).

Gee, James, maybe this wasn't such a good idea after all.

The power of pop culture

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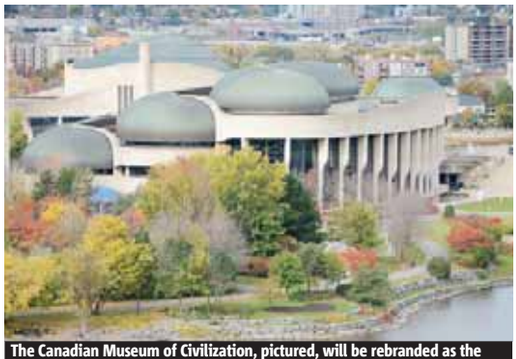

The Canadian Museum of Civilization, pictured, will be rebranded as the Canadian Museum of History, the feds announced Tuesday.
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New planet gets four stars!

HAVEN GIGUERE/YALE

Team's first find

Planet with 4-sun system discovered

Astronomers have discovered a new planet with a four-sun system — the first case of its kind.

The planet, PH1, circles twin suns that are in turn orbited by a second distant pair of stars. The discovery was made by Planet Hunters, a Yale University-led project, in which amateur astronomers work with professional scientists to find new worlds. METRO

Astronomer's viewpoint

"The discovery of these systems forces us to go back to the drawing board to find how such planets can assemble and evolve in these dynamically challenging environments."

Meg Schwamb, astronomer at Yale University, and lead author of the report behind the discovery.

How they discovered it

How two hobbyists found unique planet

Planet Hunters volunteers, Kian Jek of San Francisco and Robert Gagliano of Cottonwood, Ariz., spotted faint dips in light caused by the planet as it passed in front of its parent stars, a common method of finding extrasolar planets.

Their discovery was confirmed by observations from the Keck telescopes on Mauna Kea, Hawaii. METRO

5,000 light years away

- **What's in a name?** Named PH1 in honour of the Planet Hunters website.
- **Neptune-sized planet.** More than six times the radius of Earth, making PH1 slightly bigger than Neptune.
- **Not habitable.** PH1's temperature ranges from a minimum of about 251 C to a maximum of about 340 C.

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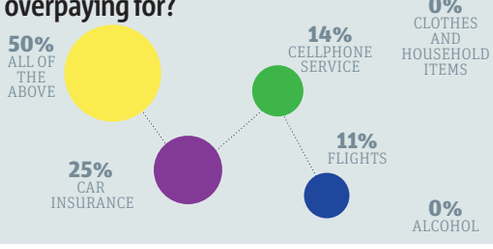

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Tyler Perry stars in Alex Cross. HANDOUT

Meet the newest Alex Cross

Adaptation. Tyler Perry plays the lead in the latest movie based on James Patterson's novels

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If the name Alex Cross sounds familiar you're either an avid reader of crime novels or a Morgan Freeman fan.

The character is the star of 20 books by author James Patterson, two films starring Freeman and now a third, the simply titled Alex Cross, with Tyler Perry in the lead role.

In the books and films Cross is a Washington D.C. cop with a Ph.D. in psychology. In other words, as he says in Kiss the Girls, "I'm a forensic psychologist. It's a fancy way of saying I'm a guy who walks into a room like that and determines the hows and whys."

In the new film, Perry, best known as the director and star of the Madea comedies, squares off against a serial killer (Matthew Fox) who claims to have murdered one of the detective's relatives.

The first Cross novel to make the leap to the big screen was Kiss the Girls, the second book in the series. Denzel Washington was originally set to star, but dropped out due to scheduling conflicts. Morgan Freeman stepped in, starring opposite Ashley Judd.

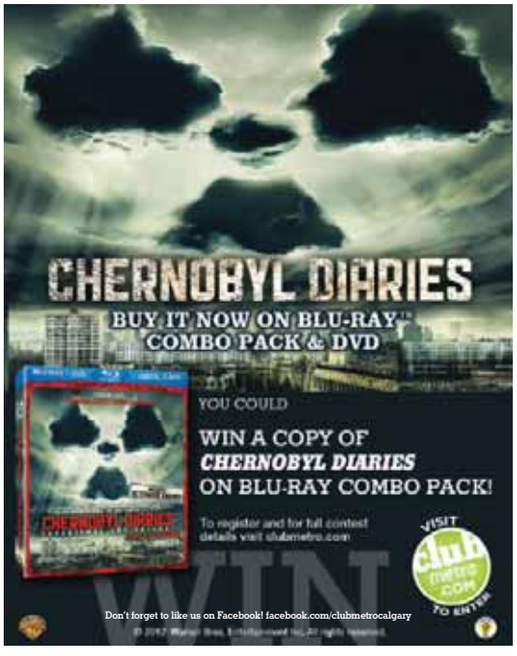
In the film Cross's niece disappears, the likely victim of Casanova, a kidnapper and killer of young women. Aiding Cross is Dr. Kate McTiernan (Judd), a surgeon, who narrowly escaped the sadomasochist killer's grasp.

The movie was a hit with audiences, but not the critics, although Roger Ebert wrote that Freeman and Judd, "are so good, you almost wish they'd decided not to make a thriller at all… and had simply found a way to construct a drama exploring their personalities."

The movie was withheld from release in central Virginia out of respect for the families of three girls who had been murdered in the area.

Four years later, despite some reservations, Freeman reprised the role. "I didn't want to do the same thing twice," he said, adding that he changed his mind because he realized he "liked Alex Cross. And the fact that he's black is totally incidental. That's a rare thing for a black actor to find."

Along Came a Spider sees Cross solve the case of a kidnapped congressman's daughter. Once again critics hated the film — which currently sits at 32 per cent on Rotten Tomatoes — but praised Freeman's performance. New York Times scribe Elvis Mitchell called it "a classless, underdeveloped thriller," but wrote that it "couldn't be better served than it is by Mr. Freeman."



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Heroism comes at a price for Scott Speedman in Last Resort

Scott Speedman stars in Last Resort, which airs on Global. HANDOUT

Interview. Actor discusses his role, the dynamics between characters and the heroism in disobedience

AMBER RAY
Metro World News in New York

We're pretty sure actor Scott Speedman has the power to broker peace negotiations with a simple glance. Of course, in the role of XO Sam Kendal on Last Resort, it will take more than the 37-year-old's mesmerizing blue eyes to get his submarine crew out of trouble, considering war was triggered when he refused strange orders to bomb Pakistan. The morality and heart Speedman brings to the role will help as he goes toe-to-toe with the commanding Andre Braugher, who plays the captain of the sub. Their relationship is central to the series — just as important as the mystery surrounding the United States' decision to turn on its own. Speedman explains.

What is the dynamic between Sam and Captain Marcus Chaplin (Andre Braugher)?

That's where a lot of the dramatic tension on the show comes from. (The characters) are very close. You find out that Andre's character has really nothing to lose; he really has no family to fall back on, so he's making all these gambles. Meanwhile, I'm relatively young and have a wife waiting for me at home. It's been really fun to play with that and to deal with that male bonding relationship and tearing that up.

We've already seen the U.S. attacking the submarine, the crew turning on each other, and a militia on the island prepared to fight the sailors seeking safety there. Who is the biggest enemy?

For Sam specifically, ultimately, the most interesting enemy I can have is the captain. The more generic choices are there but the more interesting rival will be Marcus Chaplin, the father figure, the mentor. But you have the Navy Seals (who boarded the submarine and seem to have their own agenda); you have Robert Patrick's character (the sub's uncooperative Master Chief Joseph Prosser), which is an interesting character to play off of. I much prefer when (the crew is working) as a unit as opposed to using some of the (supporting characters) as enemies.

What is Sam's biggest motivation right now?

A big thrust of the show is my character trying to get home. But really, Sam wants to stay alive long enough to clear his name. He's spent all this time getting to where he is in his life and it's all being ripped away from him. He wants to get home to be with his wife but he's also really intent on clearing his name.

Is there heroism in disobedience?

Of course, I love that aspect of the show. That's really what drew me to the character. He's not just this hero-type guy; even when facing a tough decision, no matter what the consequences, he's still going to try to do the right thing. These guys, they spend 10 years getting orders and following them. They're preparing for this moment — that's what they do in the nuclear submarine — then the order comes and they don't do it. It was an interesting moment to play, for sure."

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"The most interesting enemy I can have is the captain."
Scott Speedman

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Golden Globes. 30 Rock's Tina Fey, Parks and Rec's Amy Poehler to host show

Tina Fey and Amy Poehler are teaming up for the Golden Globes.

The Hollywood Foreign Press Association, Dick Clark Productions and NBC announced Monday that the pair of 30 Rock and Parks and Recreation stars have signed on to host the 70th annual Golden Globes ceremony after British comedian Ricky Gervais' three-year reign as the show's acerbic emcee.

"The unparalleled comedic timing of Tina and Amy will surely have viewers wanting to tune-in to see them in action," said Takla-O'Reilly, president of the Hollywood Foreign Press Association, which honours film and TV at the Beverly Hills Hilton ceremony.

The funny lady duo previously starred together in the films Mean Girls and Baby Mama and on Saturday Night Live. They co-hosted the NBC sketch comedy series' Weekend Update segment from 2004 to 2006.

"Having both Tina Fey and Amy Poehler on board to host this year's festivities is a major coup," said Paul Telegdy, president of alternative and late night programming at NBC. "Tina and Amy have a proven chemistry and comedic timing from their many years together."

This year's Golden Globes ceremony was watched by 16.8 million TV viewers, finishing within one per cent of the 17 million viewers who tuned in to the 2011 broadcast, according to the Nielsen Co.

The Globes are usually handed out about a week before the Academy Award nominations are announced, but that won't be the case next year. The motion-picture academy has moved up the Oscar nominations announcement to three days before the Globes are set to air Jan. 13.

The earlier date for the nomination unveiling for the 85th annual Academy Awards, which will be hosted Feb. 24 by Family Guy creator Seth MacFarlane, could steal attention away from the Globes. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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"Tina and Amy have a proven chemistry."
Paul Telegdy, NBC

Funny ladies Tina Fey and Amy Poehler team up to host the Golden Globes.
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Oozing with exuberance

Fear Fun. Musician makes some changes after being on 'autopilot' for a few years

PAT HEALY
Metro World News

Father John Misty MAXIMILLA LUKACS

Fear Fun is the debut by Father John Misty, but the man behind the moniker, Joshua Tillman, has been putting out albums for the past eight years, recording as a member of Fleet Foxes, Saxon Shore and on his own as J. Tillman. These previous efforts, mostly characterized by their solemnity, bear little resemblance to his recent outpouring of manic psychedelic folk.

"I was obliged to make some changes after some realizations that I had about myself," says Tillman. "I was on autopilot for a few years with the J. Tillman thing."

On Fear Fun, the songs ooze with an exuberance of being born again, but for Father John Misty that doesn't necessarily mean a pious awakening. Against some of the same warm quilts of harmony that make Fleet Foxes sound so comforting, Tillman sings words that are frank and funny and often deal with sex and drugs. If it weren't for this content, you could almost picture him dancing to these funky songs with some groovy monster on The Muppet Show.

His voice is one of confidence and clarity, and against the dark decadence of his lyrics, it blurs the line between reverence and irreverence.

As opposed to the bleak and serious artwork on his solo records, the album art on Fear Fun is deeply hallucinogenic, with liner notes inside that provide commentary and peculiar subtitles for each song.

Tillman says coming up with this part of the album was a cathartic process.

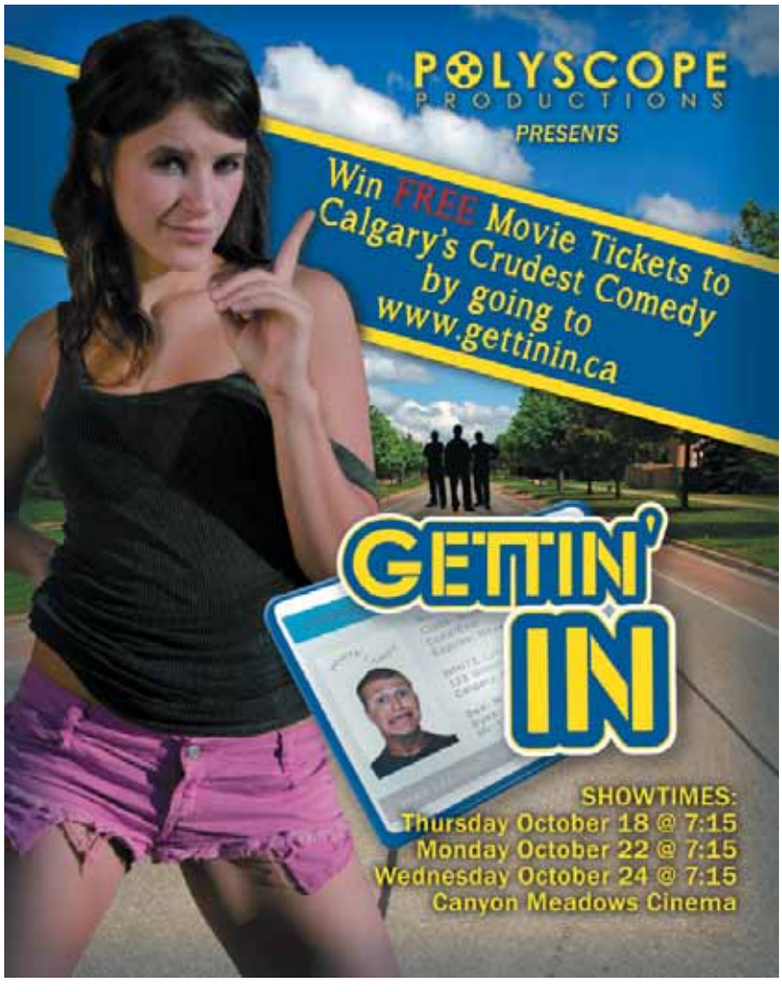
"I was just sick of identifying myself as a songwriter and subsequently like a failure of a songwriter or something," he says. "Around that time, the sound of an acoustic guitar made me nauseous, like I couldn't even deal with it, and so I left Seattle and I just wanted to get back to my humanity. And it's funny because with songwriting, you get so used to only pulling from certain aspects of your imagination or your emotional quotient. You get so used to farming from these very specific parts of yourself that at some point you start to believe that those are the only parts of yourself that have substance or worth. I was just sort of sick of feeling like a one-dimensional entity in terms of creativity, so I started writing up the book that's in the album and I wasn't beholden to these aesthetic parameters that I was musically. I quickly discovered what I perceived to be far more engaging in that medium, creatively. I was laughing a lot the whole time I was writing."

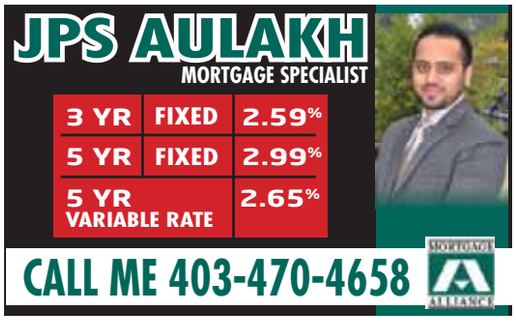
Biblical references

Nothing is sacred

In addition to the new name with which Father John Misty has ordained himself, Fear Fun teems with references to biblical figures and holy places. But Joshua Tillman says nothing is sacred here.

"Really, it just kind of aligns with my sensibilities of what I think is funny," he says. "I do think music that is popular right now is so insubstantial, and there is very little acknowledgement of prevalent images or mythology. ... I know that religion is like an antiquated thing, but it still, for whatever reason, really resonates with people, and the subversion of those images resonates. It's not out of devotion, but if I'm going to write from my conversational voice, there's tons of that s— rattling around in my brain just from my formative years, and I really get some enjoyment out of subverting conventional wisdom regarding those symbols."





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Beach House to keep it meaningful

Critically acclaimed. Metro talks to the band during their world tour

HEIDI PATALANO
Metro World News in New York

Revered by critics and slowly making their way into the mainstream, the Baltimore band Beach House have a growing awareness of the burdens of their fame.

Careful to protect their image but eager to engage with their fans, Victoria Legrand and Alex Scally have vowed to keep it meaningful as they promote their fourth album, the critically acclaimed Bloom.

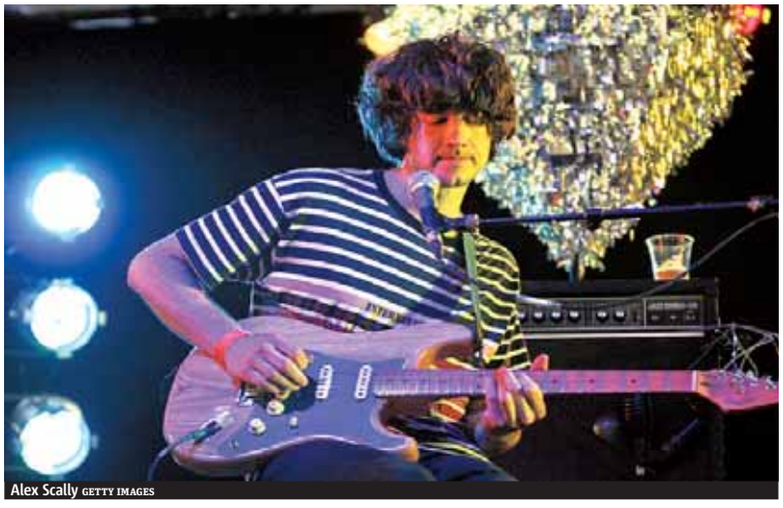
So we went deep for this interview while Scally was on a break during their world tour.

Before doing this interview, your publicist told me not to ask about your influences or ask any of the traditional boring questions. I get it. Do you feel sort of weary about doing these interviews now?
Um, no. You don't want to talk about things that are boring. It's just very natural and simple. … Whenever you get questions like 'What are your influences?' I always tend to think that's just someone who hasn't really listened to the music. We kind of made a conscious decision, after so many years of doing this band, we only want to do things that are meaningful now. We're lucky that we can try to do it that way. No fluff.

In other coverage of your music, you've mentioned how there are so many generalizations about what you do — that it's all about tones. Do you think there will ever come a day when you'll swear off reading what people have written about you?
We don't read much of what people have written. ... We feel very lucky that we are asked to do interviews or that people care enough to do it. ... That comment about people paying attention to tones — I think that's bigger than our music. We're talking about a society-wide trend that we've been noticing for a couple of years — people just creating music based just only on the vibe of it. The song comes second. The lyrics come second. It's all just a bunch of sound that feels good. There's nothing wrong with that. It's just commenting on it.

It's not engaging on all levels.
Right. When we said that, we were just trying to tell people, well, we spend a lot of time on the songs and the lyrics. Please don't let it be only felt on that level. If you consciously think about it at all, try to go somewhere else with it. It's instructing the listener a little bit.

There are all these online lyric sites — are you annoyed when people list them incorrectly?
Victoria wrote all the lyrics out in the album art, so anyone who really cares will find the correct ones. I think it's kind of interesting how there's so much bad information on the Internet. It's kind of this hilarious thing. It's like this big bathroom wall with 10 billion people writing on it.


Alex Scally GETTY IMAGES

There's been controversy recently surrounding your refusal to let Volkswagen use your music in their commercial and keeping a lid on how much you share your music for those purposes.
Just to clarify "keeping a lid on how much we share our music" — that's not it at all. We love sharing our music, and if that ad had been amazing we may have done it. The ad was terrible. It's more taste and it's more use. If a song is used well, it's exciting to us. It could make a commercial better or a product better, or maybe we like the thing that they're trying to sell. Trying to be uncommercial is not one of our goals. We're a commercial band. We sell our records. We want to communicate to people as much as possible, but on our own terms.

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Johansson calls it splits with BF after being spotted with ex Leto

Scarlett Johansson has split up with boyfriend Nate Naylor just weeks after she was spotted looking cosy with ex Jared Leto at a political event, according to Daily Mail. How official is the split? Naylor was even spotted clearing his belongings out of Johansson's New York home. "They never officially lived together, but Nate has moved all of his stuff out and back into his apartment," a source says. "The relationship is over. It has not been amicable."

Quoted

"The relationship is over. It has not been amicable."

Anonymous source, on the Johansson/Naylor split.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

Depp to launch eccentric yet dashing book imprint

THE WORD
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Celebrities are constantly launching perfumes and clothing lines. But Johnny Depp is not just any old actor. He's Johnny Depp! He's gotta do things differently! So what is the famed actor's new vanity project? Why, he's going to publish books!

According to a statement by Harper Collins, Depp is launching an imprint with the book publisher called Infinitum Nihil (translation: "nothing lasts forever"). Per the statement, Depp says, "I pledge, on behalf of Infinitum Nihil, that we will do our best to deliver publications worthy of peoples' time, of peoples' concern, publications that might ordinarily never have breached the parapet."

Interesting way to inject some glamour into the rather staid world of book publishing. And, hey, unlike the rest of us involved in the media world, it's not like he has to worry about the scant paycheck.

Barack Obama gives his take on the American Idol judges' cat fight.

Obama offers his two cents in Carey/Minaj feud

As he continues his campaign for re-election, U.S. President Barack Obama is addressing all of the top pressing issues — including the feud between American Idol judges Mariah Carey and Nicki Minaj. "I think that they are going to be able to sort it out, I am confident," Obama said during an interview with Miami's Y100 radio station. "I'm all about bringing people together, working for the same cause. I think both outstanding artists are going to be able to make sure that they're moving forward and not going backwards."

Jennie Garth's efforts to reach out to Bynes all in vain

It seems everyone is worried about troubled starlet Amanda Bynes these days, including former What I Like About You co-star Jennie Garth. "I tried reaching out to her and I haven't been able to reach her," Garth tells Us Weekly. "My heart feels for whatever she is going through and I love her dearly."

Garth isn't alone in feeling disconnected, as Bynes' parents have reportedly been getting the cold shoulder from the actress, who is facing multiple charges stemming from her dangerous driving record.

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Madrid has a tempo; it's a city that lives by and for art. It's also a city where food has been elevated to an art form. Take your pick of gastronomic delights at one of the city's centuries-old restaurants, traditional tapas bars, trendy gastrobars or gourmet markets. Here's a guide to eating your way around Madrid:

Markets

Mercado de san Miguel: Built in 1916, this market has become a meeting place for foodies. You'll find everything from salted fish at Casa del Bacalao to European meats at La Boucherie. At sundown, the market turns into a hotspot for tapas, which can be washed down with a glass of Spanish red at one of its wine houses.

Mercado de San Anton and La Cocina: This new gourmet market was designed for foodies — with 14 food stalls on the first floor, and show-cooking stations and a bar for casual meals on the second floor. Head to the third floor's terrace restaurant, La Cocina, where you'll find dishes inspired by traditional Spanish cuisine. Here, sample some of the best bellota ham, aged for five years — from pigs fed a diet of acorns and aromatic herbs.

Tapas

While in Madrid, do like the locals and tapear (go for tapas) — order calamari, cod and tripe. This time-honoured tradition still stands, whether in a traditional tavern or trendy bar, where small plates of food are served with a glass of beer or wine. Some of the best traditional taverns can be found in the oldest parts of the capital, including La Latina, Cava Baja, Cava Alta and Cava de San Miguel.

Gastrobars

Head to Estado Puro, one of the city's trendiest gastrobars, where the bar is covered with transparent panels encasing flamenco dolls. The food is a contemporary twist on traditional Spanish fare — try a deconstructed tortilla in a shot glass, or foie gras served like an ice cream sandwich.

Traditional with a twist

La Capilla de la Bolsa in Madrid's Literary Quarter was once, in the Middle Ages, the Chapel of Santa Cruz, and later became home to the Madrid Stock Exchange. The restaurant has maintained the building's Baroque vault and original columns, allowing you to soak up hundreds of years of art history as you eat Mediterranean haute cuisine.

Where to stay

The boutique Hotel de las Letras combines tradition with modern flair. Built in 1917, this newly renovated, modern space has retained its mosaics, marquises, staircases and original sculptures, and each room features high ceilings, oak flooring and natural light. It's located in the Gran Via shopping district, at the heart of the city's Art Walk.

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New Orleans, for the ladies

Good times. Women, are you ready to live The Hangover?

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Metro World News

New Orleans has been a staple of bachelor parties for decades, but these days the ladies are taking over the city. An annual conference, Festigals, drew 400 people this summer for a women-only celebration. One of the premier hotels, the Windsor Court Hotel, boasts a female chef and female sommelier, together crafting elegant-tasting menus. And a walking tour of the French Quarter — led by a feisty 79-year-old female — drops in tales of women influencing the city. So what better place for a girls' getaway?

Stay out all night

Make sure to walk along Bourbon Street — even without Mardi Gras, it's a circus all its own. But locals will tip you toward Frenchmen Street, a chance to dart in and out of bars where local bands play all night long. This weekend, you could catch the Crescent City Blues and BBQ Festival. Top off any night with a visit to Cafe du Monde, open 24 hours a day, for the city's famous beignets and rich chicory coffee.

Eat your way through the city

Leave the diet books at home. The waiters at legendary Arnaud's Restaurant on Bourbon Street may tell you the meals are zero calories, but that's not true — and you'll be robbing yourself of the city's best pleasures if you don't eat your way through New Orleans. The city's cuisine is incomparable — succulent shrimp often delivered straight from the Gulf, the spices are thrown together in a way New England just can't muster, and, well, what other place constantly lights its desserts on fire? The Court of Two Sisters in the French Quarter has a daily jazz brunch, with a live band in the courtyard and a shrimp-and-grits filled buffet.

Grab your shopping shoes

Explore the unique boutiques of Magazine Street, a lengthy but doable walk or a quick cab ride from the French Quarter. Places like Buffalo Exchange offer consignment-store finds, like party dresses or a floral TopShop blouse or a boom box. If your shopping can escalate to extravagant — or for a peek — stop in at M.S. Rau Antiques, where pieces range from a Russian fossilized cave bear to Monets and a vampire killing kit.

Where to stay

The Hotel Monteleone, legend says, is where the French Quarter begins. The hotel, opened by a Sicilian shoemaker more than a century ago, has hosted luminaries from Tennessee Williams to Paul Newman and Liberace. Within walking distance from delicious brunch spots and the invigorating, music-filled Frenchmen Street, the hotel is an elegant place to retire.

Treme celebrates 200 years

Neighbourhood revival. Vibrant pocket of New Orleans is enjoying a surge in interest with HBO series of the same name

The colourful and musical New Orleans neighbourhood called Treme is marking the 200th anniversary of its origins as an early melting pot for the city and the U.S.

Treme is considered one of America's most unusual neighbourhoods and holds a significant place in the history of jazz. It is also getting some new energy thanks in part to the spotlight provided by the HBO series Treme.

"All the things sacred to New Orleans bubbled up from that neighbourhood, because Treme had such a mixture of people and cultures," said Toni Rice, a spokeswoman for one of the neighbourhood groups organizing its bicentennial celebration. "It wasn't just slaves. It wasn't all white or all black. It was German, Spanish, Haitian, Italian."

Born from the immigration that followed the Haitian revolution of the early 1800s and named for French milliner and property owner Claude Treme, the neighbourhood became an entertainment centre where white and black Creoles gathered. The wave of Haitian refugees added to a New Orleans that was already a mix of French, Spanish and African-American culture, with American influence filtering in after the 1803 purchase of the territory from France.

New Orleans was still largely confined to the French Quarter — the original city founded in 1718. Treme and other outlying neighbourhoods were farms or swamps until efforts to drain the land took hold as the population grew.

It's the site of St. Augustine, one of the oldest African-American Catholic church parishes in the nation, where Homer Plessy was a parishioner. In 1892, Plessy triggered the infamous U.S. Supreme Court case, Plessy v. Ferguson, which upheld the constitutionality of state laws requiring racial segregation in public facilities under the doctrine of "separate but equal."

It's also the site of Congo Square, where during the 18th and 19th centuries slaves were permitted to dance, trade goods and play music that would evolve into jazz. Generations of musicians hail from Treme, among them Troy "Trombone Shorty" Andrews and his grandfather, the late Ooh Poo Pah Doo singer Jesse Hill.

It was also home to the recently deceased Lionel Batiste — the vocalist, drummer and assistant leader of the Treme Brass Band who was known simply as "Uncle Lionel." And it was the birthplace of jazz singer and trumpeter Lionel Ferbos, who at 101 is believed to be the oldest working musician in the city. He performs regularly at the Palm Court Jazz Cafe in the French Quarter.

Percussionist Shannon Powell, 50, has lived in Treme his entire life. It's where at age 11 he performed Bourbon Street Parade at a now-closed jazz club near his house and where as a teenager he was discovered by singing banjo and guitar player Danny Barker, who helped launch Powell's career.

"I caught the tail end of a lot of good things, of old ways of doing things," Powell said. "Jazz funerals meant a lot more than they do now. They were so respectful and dignified. The procession dressed in suits, wore black and white, and they played a slow dirge until the body was put in the ground. It's not like that anymore. Now you have kids out there in jeans playing all kinds of stuff."

Still, after years of blight and crime problems, a slow revival is taking shape. Treme is now part of a multimillion dollar Department of Housing and Urban Development revitalization plan, which could include the removal of the interstate highway. Work is under way to turn an unused rail corridor into a miles-long walking and bike path.

"This neighbourhood is an example of survival," said Wayne Baquet, who operates Lil Dizzy's restaurant. "The city lost a big part of the middle class due to white flight and then black flight to newer neighbourhoods like New Orleans east and Gentilly.

"After Katrina, which practically destroyed those two areas, Treme is coming back," he said.

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It was roughly 200 years ago that cottages were built and a community established just beyond the French Quarter. PHOTOS: GERALD HERBERT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A boy participates in a concert at Armstrong Park in Treme.

A shadow of Shannon Powell, lifelong resident and musician, is seen falling on a mural in front of his house in Treme.

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Wayne Baquet, operator of Lil Dizzy's restaurant in Treme, New Orleans

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Maple syrup and cinnamon bring out the sweet side of root vegetables

Baked Root Vegetables with Maple Syrup and Cinnamon

This recipe serves six. RYAN SZULC, FROM ROSE REISMAN'S FAMILY FAVORITES (WHITECAP BOOKS)

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Baked root vegetables are a real comfort side dish during the colder months. Use other varieties of your favourite vegetables such as turnips or rutabagas. You may need to add a little more maple syrup since these vegetables tend to be less sweet.

1. Preheat the oven to 425 F. Line 2 baking sheets with foil and lightly coat with cooking spray.

2. Arrange the sweet potatoes, potatoes, squash, onion, parsnips and beets in a single layer on the lined baking sheets. Lightly coat with cooking spray. Bake in the centre of the oven for about 25 to 30 minutes, turning after 20 minutes or just until browned and tender. If the trays are on separate racks, switch their positions halfway through the cooking time. Bake the beets an extra 10 minutes, or until fork tender. Place the vegetables on a large serving platter.

3. To make the dressing, whisk together the olive oil, vinegar, maple syrup and cinnamon in a small bowl. Pour the dressing over the roasted vegetables. Garnish with parsley and serve.

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Ingredients

- 1 lb sweet potatoes, unpeeled and cut into wedges
- 1 lb Yukon Gold potatoes, unpeeled and cut into wedges
- 1 lb butternut squash, peeled and cut into 2-inch pieces
- 1 large sweet yellow onion, cut into 8 wedges
- 2 large peeled parsnips, cut into 2-inch pieces
- 2 peeled beets, cut into 1-inch pieces

Dressing

- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 tbsp balsamic vinegar
- 2 tbsp maple syrup
- 1/2 tsp cinnamon
- 1/4 cup chopped parsley

Drink of the Week

Orange Haze for those fall nights

This not-so-kid-friendly murky and thick "orange haze" blends orange liqueur, chocolate liqueur and honey. It's perfect for the fall.

This recipe serves one.

- 3/4 oz orange liqueur
- 3/4 oz milk chocolate cream liqueur
- 1/2 tsp honey
- Orange zest, to garnish

Pour the orange liqueur into a shot glass. Very slowly pour the chocolate liqueur down the side of the glass, then drizzle the honey over the top. Garnish with orange zest.

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New approach to getting them to eat veggies

Recently, for two weeks, I made it my mission to improve my 8-year-old son's tolerance of vegetables. I called it "veggie boot camp." He called it torture. My approach was simple. Every lunch and dinner I prepared at least three vegetables. Of those, he needed to select and consume two of them. Early on, I found that roasting just about any vegetable dramatically improved my son's response to it.

This makes sense. Roasting concentrates flavours and caramelizes the natural sugars in produce. So to help other parents with veg-averse children, here is one of my son's favourite (by which, of course, I mean most likely to be gagged down) vegetables.

Roasted Balsamic Cherry Tomatoes

Don't be put off by the amount of salt in this recipe; much of it drains off before the tomatoes are roasted. Salting the tomatoes helps draw out excess water, producing a better roasted tomato. These tomatoes can be served on their own as a side dish, or over pasta for a simple (but delicious) sauce.

Ingredients

- 2 pints cherry or grape tomatoes
- 2 tsp kosher salt
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 2 tbsp balsamic vinegar
- 1/2 tsp ground black pepper

1. Slice tomatoes in half, then set in a strainer. Sprinkle salt over tomatoes, then gently mix. Place the strainer in the sink and let sit for 15 minutes.

2. Heat the broiler. Line a rimmed baking sheet with foil.

3. Give the tomatoes a shake to discard any liquid that has accumulated in the strainer. Transfer the tomatoes to a medium bowl. Add the remaining ingredients and toss well. Transfer the tomatoes to the prepared baking sheet, arranging them in an even layer.

4. Broil on centre rack for 4 to 6 minutes, or until the tomatoes begin to brown and soften. Serve immediately. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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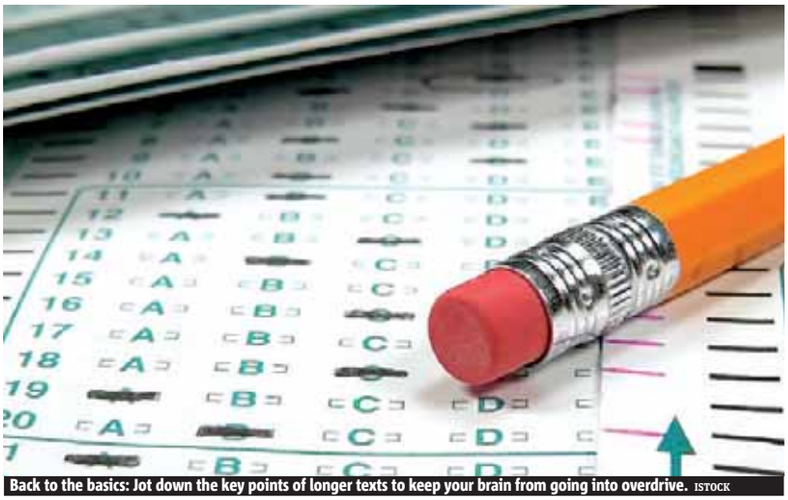

Back to the basics: Jot down the key points of longer texts to keep your brain from going into overdrive. ISTOCK

Studying can be tough — especially if you have multiple tests, exams or midterms to study for at once.

It's easy to fall asleep with your textbook on your face, or focus more on perfecting that homemade apple crisp than perfecting your math formulas.

Everyone has their own best practices when it comes to studying, so we asked around to find some common strategies for success when it comes to burying yourself in your books.

Find your study spot

The first step to successful studying is finding a spot that is study-specific and has limited distractions. You might even want to disconnect your WiFi and put your phone on airplane mode for an hour or two. Crazy, I know, but it will help you stay focused.

Review the main concepts

Reading through your notes and refreshing your memory on major concepts will make filling in the details later on that much easier. There's no sense in memorizing the dates of John Cabot's discoveries if you can't even recall what he did.

Change up the lingo

Reviewing concepts by using everyday language ensures you understand it. Furthermore, doing this helps you remember things more easily.

For example, if your philosophy textbook reads, "Relativism is the concept that points of view have no absolute truth or validity, having only relative, subjective value according to differences in perception and consideration," an easier way of saying this might be "Relativism means that your point of view is only your personal perception, and has no absolute truth or validity."

Speak out loud

Calling Helgason, a second-year Biology student at Trent University, says when she doesn't understand a concept she reads it out loud. "Talking through my notes breaks down the concepts and makes it easier to understand," she says.

This was a personal strategy of mine as well. I would pretend I was explaining something to someone else and, in turn, ended up learning it myself — a tad embarrassing when the roommates walked in, but the good grades made up for my rosy cheeks.

That being said, be aware of your surroundings. This might not fly too well in the quiet section of the library, but on your porch it's A-OK.

Rewrite your notes

Sandy Silveira, a student in the early childhood education program at Ryerson University, says when she studies she likes to write things out as well as saying them because it helps her remember them better.

Julie Dang, a Mathematical Science student at Western University, echoes this idea by stating that her strategy is to flip back through her textbooks and focus on everything that she highlighted when she initially did her readings. Then she writes out all the terminology and various formulas. "I do study questions over and over and over again," Julie says.

"I review my notes, and then I do more questions. Constantly practicing the formulas is the best way to remember them."

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Take breaks

Relax to retain

- You can't run on the treadmill for hours on end and your brain can't work out for that long either. It needs a break (Tetris, anyone?) as well as hydration (water, coffee and perhaps even an ice cream cone?).
- Allow your brain time to refresh and when you come back to the books, quickly recap what you learned before your break. This will make it stick even more.

Student Voice

'My life has only just begun'

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I've completed four co-op work terms, including positions in financial analysis, project management, and real estate industries assessment. I've been applying to jobs on the University of Waterloo's campus recruitment website (JobMine) as well as reaching out to people that I know and applying online.

It has been very frustrating because I have not received any interviews using online applications, and received only a few using JobMine for graduate positions. Even so, I have a tough time beating the competition as most students are either better at interviews or have more relevant experiences.

I returned to one of the employers for my co-operative work term, but I'm planning to transfer into the industry that I want to be in which is banking and finance. I've been discouraged so many times through countless rejection emails and I've lost hope. But in the end, I realized that my life has only just begun! I don't expect this process to be easy to be resolved, I will be relentless until I find the dream job I desire.

I am actively seeking open job opportunities. At the same time, I am putting more effort into contacting previous managers to seek personal recommendations which will increase my chances.

Where I am now

I just finished up my bachelor's degree and returned to one of my previous employers. However, I'm planning to transfer into the financial industry because I'm interested in pursuing my CMA designation.

My advice for employers, career centres and schools

I feel so limited in terms of which positions I can apply for. Even if I apply for entry-level positions, some demand exceptional skill sets; however, if there was a room for potential candidates to be groomed, that would be even better and encourage for students like myself to apply more often.

My recommendations for students

Everyone is a bright minded individual, and I bet any one else is far smarter and more agile than me. I encourage you to keep applying and remember to use your work relationships to your advantage. I found that using networking skills is far more effective than randomly applying online.

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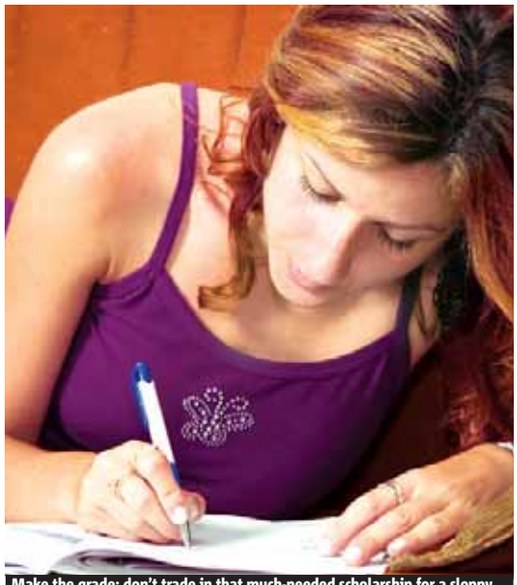

Make the grade: don't trade in that much-needed scholarship for a sloppy, sundown-to-sunrise social life. ISTOCK

After high school, most people are told it doesn't matter whether you get Cs or As in college or university, as long as you get that diploma or degree. However, while you're striving for that qualification, keeping your marks up can open more doors than you think.

During most of high school, I balanced work, a band and good grades, so I learned good study habits, which I brought with me to university.

Instead of partying, I would study. This might sound boring and not like the university life many people imagine, but I still had time for a social life as well. Every weekend I would go home from residence to play shows and chill with my band mates and boyfriend while at concerts. During the week, I saw my boyfriend usually for two days in a row. I just made sure I had time to do the work required to maintain my good grades.

During my second year of university, it was even more important for me to get good grades. I had my eye on the creative writing program at York, which required — along with an impressive portfolio of work — at least a B+ average, but mostly As if you wanted to ensure you were accepted. I was also striving to get scholarships.

I thought scholarships and getting into that program was all high marks were good for, but since then a couple of things have changed.

First, I decided I want to go to grad school after completing my undergrad. An MA or a PhD opens some doors in the job market, but even having an Honours BA, which requires a level of achievement in grades, may set me apart.

Then the emails started coming. Like most students, I thought the university didn't recognize me and the hard work I do, but I was wrong!

During the end of my second year, I was told about a special scholarship I could apply for, and more recently, I have been getting volunteer job offers from the university for mentoring new and returning students and leading orientations. These positions take very little time and look great on your resumé whether your goal is grad school or an entry-level job.

To receive these offers I didn't need straight As, just a B+ average. I think this is obtainable for most students with good study habits.

So keep those marks up! You never know what opportunities they will give you.

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Joel Powell didn't set out to be a dentist, much less a highly qualified surgical specialist. Originally from New Glasgow, N.S., Powell studied computer science at Dalhousie University.

"When I was a kid, the idea of being a dentist seemed cool, but I didn't care too much for biology and chemistry," he says. "Math, physics and computers came much more easily to me, so that's what I studied initially."

Unable to shake his childhood fascination, Powell began to sit in and observe both his family dentist and dentistry students at Dalhousie. No longer able to resist the temptation, he enrolled into the dentistry program before he completed his undergraduate degree. For the next 13 years, he studied, trained, interned and served residencies at various institutions, including Johns Hopkins Hospital and Emory University in the United States, specializing in oral and maxillofacial surgery. He returned to Canada, though, when an opportunity to join an existing practice opened up.

The transition to business operator from medical trainee can be difficult. Powell, like most professionals moving into their first practice, had amassed significant debt. And while his potential earnings were significant, establishing a surgical practice typically involves an investment of at least several hundred thousand dollars.

"I have a great relationship with my bank," Powell says. "I was not that knowledgeable about financial matters, so I relied on a team of experts. I've been with Scotiabank since I was a kid and they've provided me with all the credit and banking-related advice I've needed over the years."

Powell joined an existing practice: Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Consultants, a team of professionals with offices across Nova Scotia.

"I love my work," he says. "And while it's taken me much longer than others to make money rather than pile up debt, I wouldn't change a thing."

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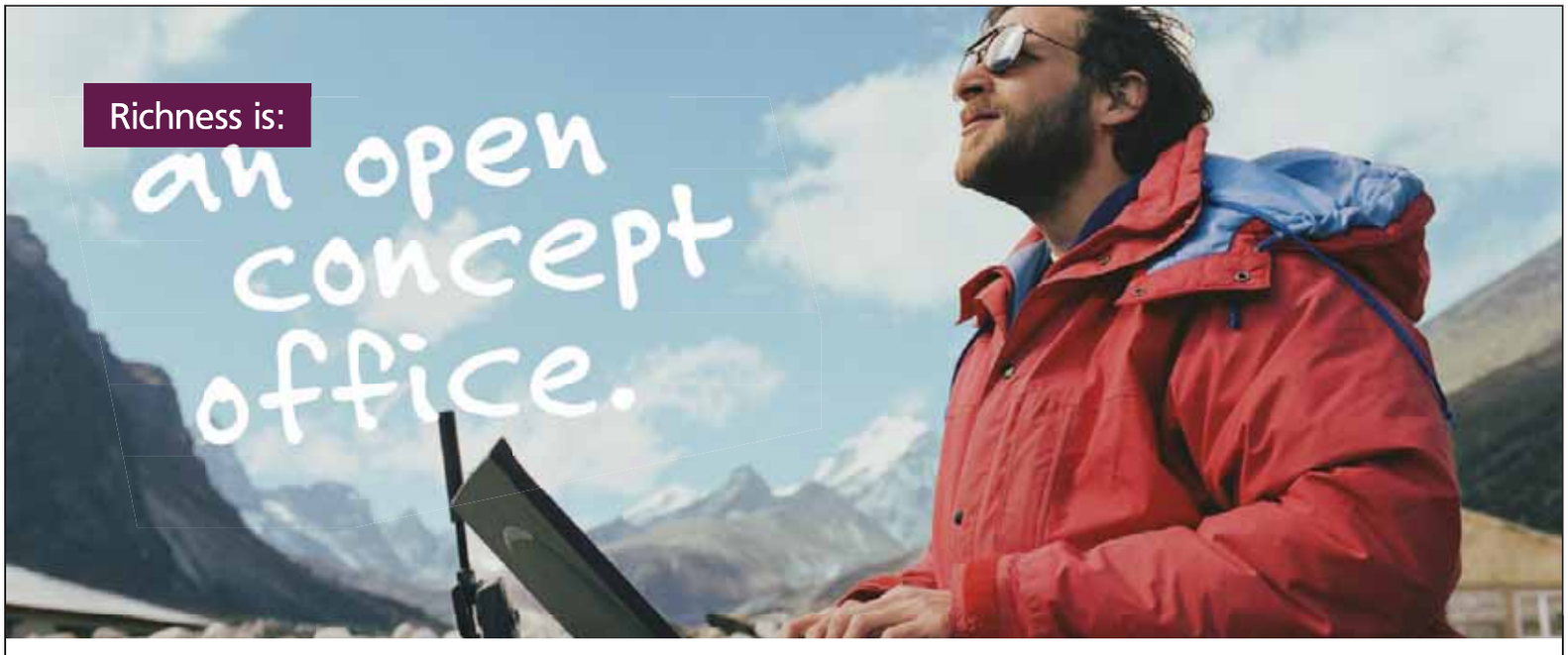

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Carlos Costly, centre, celebrates after scoring while Canadians Edgar David, left, and Nikolas Ledgerwood hang their heads during a World Cup qualifying match on Tuesday in San Pedro Sula, Honduras. The 8-1 loss eliminated Canada from the 2014 World Cup. ESTEBAN FELIX/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Canada humbled by halftime in Honduras

Soccer. Coach Hart considering his future after lopsided loss

Canada's World Cup dreams were snuffed out in brutal fashion on Tuesday as Honduras put them to the sword 8-1 in a do-or-die qualifying match.

It's a bitter pill to swallow for a Canadian team that went into the match with its fate in its own hands and the unswerving belief that it deserved to move on. That is, until Tuesday, when the wheels came off the Canadian bus in a shocking display.

Canada entered the hostile confines of a sold-out Estadio Olimpico Metropolitano knowing that a tie or win would be enough to move on to the final round of qualifying in the CONCACAF region, which covers North and Central America and the Caribbean. The Hondurans, looking to please their fans on an extended national holiday, needed a win.

World Cup qualifier

Honduras	Canada
8	1

Asked if the moment had got to his team, Canadian coach Stephen Hart offered a one-word answer — "Yes."

"You're supposed to go down all guns blazing, you're supposed to fight," he added. "You're supposed to die out there.

"We were horrible.... It's disturbing to me that the team fell apart."

It was Canada's worst loss since an 8-0 drubbing in Mexico in 1993.

Honduras' speed and clinical finishing — combined with Canada's clown-like defending — ended the suspense very early, racking up four goals in a 25-minute span to lead 4-0 after just 32 minutes. The Central Americans made it look easy against a sluggish Canadian side that simply wasn't up to the challenge.

Substitute Iain Hume scored a consolation goal off a nice free kick in the 76th minute.

Hart said personally he thought he had done his best but could have to consider his future in the wake of the "crushing" result.

Quoted

"We pretty much embarrassed ourselves."
Canadian midfielder Julian de Guzman

"All I can do is ask the fans' forgiveness on behalf of the players," said the coach, who has six months remaining on his contract. "I know they'll never forgive me but on behalf of the players, forgive them."

Reminded he was not on the field, Hart said: "It's my responsibility." THE CANADIAN PRESS

World Cup

Spain's qualifying streak snapped

Spain's record of 24 straight qualifying wins ended Tuesday when France substitute Olivier Giroud scored in the final move of the match for a deserved 1-1 draw in the campaign to reach the 2014 World Cup.

Spain reserve Juanfran Torres turned the ball over in midfield, allowing Franck Ribery to cross for Giroud to head beyond goalkeeper Iker Casillas in the fourth minute of added time in the Group I match at Vicente Calderon stadium in Madrid. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NFL

Late lapses cost Eagles' Castillo co-ordinator role

Consecutive blown fourth-quarter leads have cost Juan Castillo his job as the Philadelphia Eagles' defensive co-ordinator.

Castillo was fired on Tuesday and replaced by secondary coach Todd Bowles.

Coach Andy Reid dismissed his longtime assistant who was surprisingly switched to defence after 13 seasons coaching the offensive linemen. Castillo was with the Eagles for 18 years, longer than any coach in franchise history.

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Juan Castillo
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Slumping Yankees on brink of elimination

Raul Ibanez of the New York Yankees strikes out for the final out of Game 3 against the Detroit Tigers on Tuesday in Detroit. JONATHAN DANIEL/GETTY IMAGES

The New York Yankees avoided a dubious distinction. They didn't avoid moving within a loss of elimination.

Eduardo Nunez's ninth-inning home run prevented New York from getting shut out in consecutive post-season games for the first time. Raul Ibanez went on to strike out against former Yankee Phil Coke with two on, sealing a 2-1 loss to the Detroit Tigers on Tuesday night and a 3-0 AL championship series deficit.

On a night when Alex Rodriguez was benched for the second time in four games, Justin Verlander took a two-hit shutout into the ninth, allowing a pair of Ichiro Suzuki singles.

Game 3

Tigers	Yankees
2	1

Nunez homered on a Verlander curveball with one out in the ninth, and Mark Teixeira and Robinson Cano hit consecutive two-out singles against the lefty Coke, with Cano ending a post-season-record streak of 29 hitless at-bats.

Ibanez, whose ninth-inning home run tied the opener, got ahead in the count 3-1 before fouling off a pair of pitches and striking out on a slider in the dirt.

Detroit can complete a sweep and earn its second pennant in seven years Wednesday night when Max Scherzer pitches against Yankees ace CC Sabathia.

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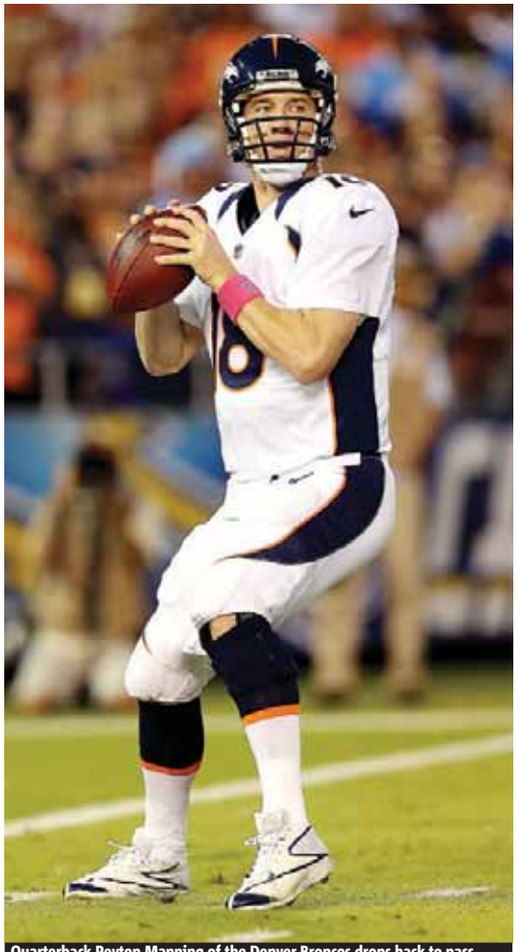
What decline? Manning on pace for banner year



Quarterback Peyton Manning of the Denver Broncos drops back to pass against the San Diego Chargers on Monday in San Diego. Led by Manning, the Broncos scored 35 unanswered points to win 35-24. JEFF GROSS/GETTY IMAGES

NFL. As he displayed in comeback win on Monday, Broncos QB still going strong

Turns out reports of Peyton Manning's demise were ridiculously premature.

Denver's quarterback has been outstanding by every measure since throwing three interceptions in the first quarter at Atlanta a month ago. His trio of wobblers that night left critics questioning his stability, strength and stamina after spending all of last season on the sideline.

His latest Monday-night performance went much better as he engineered the biggest comeback of his career in the Broncos' 35-24 win at San Diego and tied Dan Marino for first place with his 47th game-winning drive in the fourth quarter or overtime.

"These comeback victories are great," Manning said, "but all it means is that you screwed up in the first half."

For once, they were able to overcome their first-half foibles as Manning vaulted the Broncos (3-3) into a first-place tie with the Chargers atop the AFC West after a treacherous early-season schedule that lightens up considerably after their bye this week.

Even with four neck operations to match his four MVP trophies, the quarterback is on pace at age 36 to throw for more yards than he ever did in Indianapolis. If he keeps this up, he'll also post the second-best marks of his career in attempts, completions, completion percentage, touchdowns and QB rating along with his second-fewest interceptions in a season.

At this rate, he would also set franchise records for yards passing, completions, completion percentage and TD passes.

He's also the first quarterback in NFL history to throw for 300 yards and three TDs while completing at least 70 per cent of his passes in three straight games.

Any more questions about his health or his hardiness?

"Everyone talked about him a couple weeks ago, but he's been the least of my worries," coach John Fox said. "I think he's just going to get better and better."

Consider this: Since matching the worst quarter, interception-wise, of his career against the Falcons in Week 2, Manning has thrown for 1,519 yards with 11 touchdowns and just one interception in 195 passes — and that pickoff wasn't even his fault. Matthew Willis didn't recognize the overload on his side and failed to adjust his route accordingly Monday night, allowing Quentin Jammer to step up for an easy pick-six.

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Digging out of a hole

24

With three TD tosses from Manning and two defensive touchdowns, the Broncos erased a 24-point deficit against the Chargers and won 35-24.

NBA. Heat jet-lagged from trip to China

Fans hold up cutouts of Dwyane Wade of the Miami Heat during an NBA pre-season game in Shanghai on Sunday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LeBron James was awake at 3:45 a.m. Dwyane Wade's dogs were unhappily roused from slumber at 4 a.m. by their bleary-eyed owner. Udonis Haslem was responding to text messages at 5 a.m., which classifies as a rarity.

To a man, the Miami Heat raved about their trip to China.

Recovering from their trip to China, well, that's apparently another matter entirely.

After flying roughly 17,000 miles, playing three games in eight days starting with the pre-season opener in Atlanta, holding practices and participating in more events than could be squeezed onto a double-sided itinerary, the Heat — with many players acknowledging sleep deprivation — went back to work on Tuesday, trying to get back into some semblance of a normal routine.

"Tuesday, right? Had to think about it, though," James said. "I got up this morning about 3:45. Been up since. So, it is what it is. I'm not back just yet."

But he's trying, as was everyone else.

"It's crazy that we're back already," Wade said.

James was the last player in the gym on Tuesday afternoon, taking dozens of jumpers — he'd receive a pass, take a jab step, ball-fake, then shoot, over and over again — as Heat coach Erik Spoelstra and two assistants watched quietly from afar. "Short," James yelled at no one in particular after one jumper from the right wing, and the NBA's reigning MVP looked mildly surprised when that shot dropped with a swish.

"Ni hao," Spoelstra said after practice, using the Chinese phrase for "hello." "It's good to be back in our gym. We didn't waste any time getting back to work. The trip was a great trip from a lot of different levels, but there's nothing like coming back in your practice gym, putting the pads up, mouthguards in and getting after it. That's what we did today."

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NBA pre-season

Nets top Celtics in Brooklyn

Mirza Teletovic made a foul shot with 4.1 seconds left and the Brooklyn Nets reserves rallied from a 12-point deficit to beat the Boston Celtics 97-96 in a pre-season game Tuesday.

Teletovic grabbed an offensive rebound with five seconds left and was fouled. He made the first shot, then missed the second and Boston called a timeout with 3.6 seconds left. The Celtics got two more shots off, but missed both.

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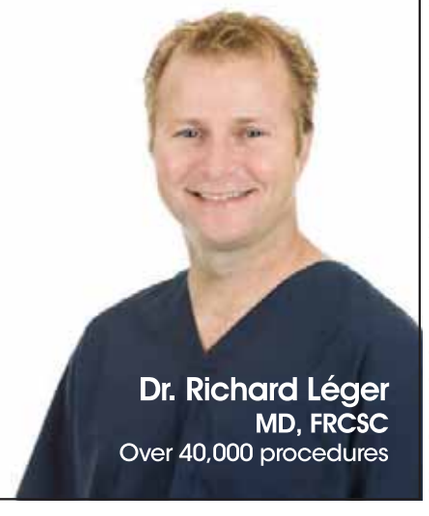

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CFL playoff puzzle still falling into place

Top spots. Plenty post-season scenarios remain with three weeks to go

Stampeders quarterback Kevin Glenn will try to help Calgary secure second place in the West Division when they host Hamilton on Saturday. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

The red-hot Lions can clinch the West's top spot with a win over Edmonton on Friday. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

The Argos should be able to make the playoffs, but the health of QB Ricky Ray will determine whether they do any damage once they get there. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

The Alouettes can clinch first place in the East Division with a win in Regina on Saturday. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

The CFL's muddled playoff picture could clear up significantly this weekend.

The B.C. Lions and Montreal Alouettes can cement top spot in the West and East Divisions respectively, with outright victories. That would give both teams opening playoff byes and the right to host their conference finals on Nov. 18.

The conference champions will meet in the historic 100th Grey Cup on Nov. 25 at Rogers Centre in Toronto.

The Toronto Argonauts and Calgary Stampeders could also both nail down second spot in their respective divisions, with a little help. That would essentially leave third in the East and West Division still up for grabs going into the final two weeks of the 2012 campaign.

B.C. heads into its home game on Friday against Edmonton with a CFL-best 11-4 record, and the defending Grey Cup champion can cement first in the West for the second straight year with a win over the Eskimos.

But the Eskimos (7-8) have plenty to play for. They're fourth in the tight West Division but just two points behind third-place Saskatchewan (8-7) and four points in back of second-place Calgary (9-6).

An Edmonton victory would also solidify its crossover bid. In the CFL, if the fourth-place team in one division has a better record than the third-place finisher in the other conference, the fourth-place squad crosses over and assumes the third playoff seed in the rival division.

Montreal (9-6) visits Saskatchewan on Saturday and would solidify first in the East Division with a victory. The Alouettes lead second-place Toronto (7-9) by four points and have cemented the season series.

The Argos host Winnipeg on Friday night. A Bombers victory would give Montreal top spot in the East for the fourth time in five seasons under head coach Marc Trestman and the ninth time in 13 years overall.

Trestman has guided Montreal to three Grey Cup appearances, winning consecutive titles in 2009 and 2010.

A Toronto win on Saturday, combined with Calgary beating Hamilton, would give the Argos second in the East and home-field advantage for the division semifinal Nov. 11.

Calgary would need to beat Hamilton and have Montreal down Saskatchewan to secure second in the West Division.

Hamilton is currently third in the East but sports only a 5-10 record and trails the Eskimos by four points, with both teams having three-regular season games remaining.

The combination of a Hamilton win over Calgary and Montreal win over Saskatchewan would give B.C. first in the West even if it lost to Edmonton.

That scenario would also keep the Ticats' precarious playoff hopes alive heading into their final two regular-season games against Winnipeg and Toronto. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Crowded West

Saskatchewan certainly can't afford to finish tied with Calgary or Edmonton, having lost the season series with both squads.

- However, should the Riders end up tied for first with B.C. and Calgary they'd get top spot in the West based on having the better winning percentage in games between the three clubs.
- In a three-way tie, the Riders would have a 3-1 head-to-head record against B.C. but just 1-2 against Calgary, leaving them 4-3 overall.
- B.C., with a 2-1 record against Calgary, would finish 3-4 while the Stampeders would end up 3-3 (2-1 versus Saskatchewan but 1-2 versus the Lions).
- The three-way tie-breaker, though, would be used only to determine first place. Second would go to B.C. because of a superior head-to-head record against Calgary.

CFL

Als' Emry named week's top defender and Canadian

Montreal linebacker Shea Emry picked up a pair of CFL weekly awards for his performance in the Alouettes' big win over Toronto last weekend.

Emry picked up top defensive player and top Canadian honours for his efforts in Montreal's 24-12 win on Sunday. The native of Richmond, B.C., registered four tackles, one sack and one interception as the Alouettes moved four points up on the second-place Argos in the East Division standings.

Emry intercepted a Jarious Jackson pass with 9:11 remaining in the fourth quarter and returned it 46 yards for the touchdown.

Edmonton running back Hugh Charles won the top offensive player award after scoring a TD with a career-high 152 rushing yards in the Eskimos' 37-20 win over Saskatchewan. THE CANADIAN PRESS

CFL

Montreal's chase for first place slowed by injury

Injuries are mounting for the Montreal Alouettes, with receiver Brandon London and running back Victor Anderson the latest to join the list.

Coach Marc Trestman said Tuesday that London will have surgery to repair an injured meniscus in his knee suffered in Sunday's win at Toronto. He expects the lanky receiver to be out of action for four to six weeks. Anderson suffered a concussion and will sit out Saturday's game at Saskatchewan. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Tuesday's result
Detroit 2 N.Y. Yankees 1
Sunday's result
Detroit 3 N.Y. Yankees 0
Saturday's result
Detroit 6 N.Y. Yankees 4 (12 innings)
Wednesday's game
N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 15-6) at Detroit (Scherzer 16-7), 8:07 p.m.
Thursday's game
x-N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 5-4) at Detroit (Fister 10-10), 4:07 p.m.
Saturday's game
x-Detroit (Sanchez 4-6) at N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 16-11), 8:07 p.m.
Sunday's game
x-Detroit (Verlander 17-8) at N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 15-6), 8:07 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

ST. LOUIS VS SAN FRANCISCO

(Series tied 1-1)

Monday's result
San Francisco 7 St. Louis 1
Sunday's result
St. Louis 6 San Francisco 4
Wednesday's game
San Francisco (Cain 16-5) at St. Louis (Lohse 16-3), 4:07 p.m.
Thursday's game
San Francisco (Zito 15-8) at St. Louis (Wainwright 14-13), 8:07 p.m.
Friday's game
San Francisco (Bumgarner 16-11) at St. Louis (Lynn 18-7), 8:07 p.m.
Sunday's game
x-St. Louis (Carpenter 0-2) at San Francisco (Vogelsong 14-9), 4:37 p.m.
Monday, October 22
x-St. Louis (Lohse 16-3) at San Francisco (Cain 16-5), 8:07 p.m.
x — played only if necessary.

TIGERS 2, YANKEES 1

N.Y. Yankees	ab	r	h	bi	Detroit	ab	r	h	bi
Gardner lf	4	0	0	0	Jackson cf	3	0	1	0
Suzuki rf	4	0	2	0	Berry lf	3	1	1	0
Teixeira 1b	4	0	1	0	Garcia ph-rf	1	0	1	0
Nix pr	0	0	0	0	Cabrera 3b	3	0	1	1
Cano 2b	4	0	1	0	Fielder 1b	3	0	0	0
Ibanez dh	4	0	0	0	Young dh	3	1	1	1
Martin c	3	0	0	0	Dirks rf-lf	3	0	0	0
Chavez 3b	3	0	0	0	Peralta ss	4	0	0	0
Granderson cf	3	0	0	0	Avila c	4	0	1	0
Nunez ss	3	1	1	1	Infante 2b	4	0	1	0
Totals	**32**	**1**	**5**	**1**	**Totals**	**31**	**2**	**7**	**2**

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N.Y. Yankees	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Hughes L, 0-1	3	3	1	1	3	1
Phelps	1	2	1	0	0	0
Rapada	2-3	0	0	0	1	0
Eppley	2-3	1	0	0	1	1
Logan	2 1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Chamberlain	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Detroit						
Verlander W, 1-0	8 1-3	3	1	1	0	3
Coke S, 2	2-3	2	0	0	0	1

D.Phelps pitched to 2 batters in the 5th
PB—Martin. **Umpires**—Home, Sam Holbrook; First, Jeff Nelson; Second, Gary Cederstrom; Third, Mike Winters.
T—3:28. **A**—42,970 (41,255) at Detroit.

NBA

PRE-SEASON

Tuesday's results
Brooklyn 97 Boston 98
Chicago 100 Milwaukee 94
Detroit 112 Orlando 86
Indiana 102 Atlanta 98
Minnesota 114 Maccabi Haifa (Israel) 81
Oklahoma City 120 Charlotte 98
At Anaheim, Calif.
Utah vs. L.A. Lakers
Monday's results
Brooklyn 98 Washington 88
Dallas 123 Houston 104
Denver 104 Golden State 98
Philadelphia 107 Boston 75
Sacramento 117 Portland 100
At Cincinnati
Cleveland 114 Orlando 111 (OT)
Wednesday's games — All Times Eastern
Washington at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Memphis at Houston, 8 p.m.
Phoenix at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Denver at Portland, 10 p.m.
Utah at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Thursday's games
New Orleans at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Memphis vs. Milwaukee (at La Crosse, Wisc.), 8 p.m.
Boston at Brooklyn, 8 p.m.
Friday's games
New York vs. Toronto (at Montreal), 7 p.m.
Indiana at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Phoenix vs. Oklahoma City (at Tulsa, Okla.), 8 p.m.
Sacramento vs. L.A. Lakers (at Las Vegas), 10 p.m.
Golden State at Portland, 10 p.m.

AHL

Tuesday's result
Binghamton 3 Rochester 1
Monday's results
No Games Scheduled.
Wednesday's game — All Times Eastern
Peoria at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Thursday's games
No Games Scheduled.
Friday's games
Adirondack at St. John's, 6 p.m.
Syracuse at Albany, 7 p.m.
Providence at Manchester, 7 p.m.
Worcester vs. Portland (at Lewiston, Maine), 7 p.m.
Wilkes-Barre/Scranton at Springfield, 7 p.m.
Hershey at Binghamton, 7:05 p.m.
Grand Rapids at Rochester, 7:05 p.m.
Toronto at Hamilton, 7:30 p.m.
Connecticut at Norfolk, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
Texas at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
Rockford at Peoria, 8:05 p.m.
Chicago at Abbotsford, 10 p.m.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-Kansas City	17	7	8	59	40	26
x-Chicago	17	10	5	56	45	39
D.C.	16	10	6	54	49	40
New York	15	9	8	53	54	46
Houston	13	8	11	50	45	38
Columbus	14	11	7	49	40	40
Montreal	12	15	5	41	45	50
Philadelphia	10	15	6	36	35	37
New England	7	17	8	29	37	44
Toronto	5	20	7	22	35	60

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-San Jose	19	6	7	64	69	40
x-Real Salt Lake	17	11	4	55	46	35
x-Seattle	14	7	10	52	48	31
x-Los Angeles	15	12	5	50	56	45
Vancouver	11	12	9	42	35	40
FC Dallas	9	12	11	38	39	42
Colorado	9	19	4	31	40	50
Portland	7	16	9	30	32	55
Chivas USA	7	17	8	29	22	54

x — clinched playoff berth.
Wednesday's game — All Times Eastern
Real Salt Lake at Seattle, 11 p.m.
Saturday's games
Montreal at Toronto, 1:30 p.m.
Kansas City at New York, 7 p.m.
Columbus at D.C., 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at New England, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Colorado at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday's games
Portland at Vancouver, 7 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Jose, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Seattle, 9 p.m.

2014 WORLD CUP QUALIFYING

NORTH, CENTRAL AND CARIBBEAN ZONE

x — clinched berth in regional final

GROUP A

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pt
x-U.S.	6	4	1	1	11	6	13
x-Jamaica	6	3	1	2	9	6	10
Guatemala	6	3	1	2	9	8	10
Antigua	6	0	1	5	4	13	1

Tuesday's results
At Kingston, Jamaica
Jamaica 4 Antigua 1
At Kansas City, Kan.
U.S. 3 Guatemala 1

GROUP B

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pt
x-Mexico	6	6	0	0	15	2	18
x-Costa Rica	6	3	1	2	14	5	10
El Salvador	7	1	2	4	8	18	5
Guyana	5	0	1	4	5	17	1

Tuesday's results
At San Jose, Costa Rica
Costa Rica 7 Guyana 0
At Torreon, Mexico
Mexico 2 El Salvador 0

GROUP C

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pt
x-Honduras	6	3	2	1	12	3	11
x-Panama	6	3	2	1	6	2	11
Canada	**6**	**3**	**1**	**2**	**6**	**10**	**10**
Cuba	6	0	1	5	1	10	1

Tuesday's results
At San Pedro Sula, Honduras
Honduras 8 **Canada 1**
At Havana
Panama 1 Cuba 1

EUROPE

GROUP A
Belgium 2 Scotland 0
Croatia 2 Wales 0
Macedonia 1 Serbia 0
GROUP B
Czech Republic 0 Bulgaria 0
Italy 3 Denmark 1
GROUP C
Austria 4 Kazakhstan 0
Faeroe Islands 1 Ireland 4
Germany 4 Sweden 4

GROUP D

Andorra 0 Estonia 1
Hungary 3 Turkey 1
Romania 1 Netherlands 4
GROUP E
Albania 1 Slovenia 0
Cyprus 1 Norway 3
Iceland 0 Switzerland 2
GROUP F
Israel 3 Luxembourg 0
Portugal 1 Northern Ireland 1
Russia 1 Azerbaijan 0
GROUP G
Bosnia-Herzegovina 3 Lithuania 0
Latvia 2 Liechtenstein 0
Slovakia 0 Greece 1
GROUP H
Poland vs. England (ppd., wet grounds)
San Marino 0 Moldova 2
Ukraine 0 Montenegro 1
GROUP I
Belarus 2 Georgia 0
Spain 1 France 1

ASIA

Final Round
GROUP A
Iran 1 South Korea 0
Qatar 0 Uzbekistan 1
GROUP B
Iraq 1 Australia 2
Oman 2 Jordan 1

OCEANIA

Final Round
New Caledonia 5 Solomon Islands 0
New Zealand 3 Tahiti 0

SOUTH AMERICA

Bolivia 4 Uruguay 1
Paraguay 1 Peru 0
Venezuela 1 Ecuador 1
Chile vs. Argentina

TRANSACTIONS

NBA

DALLAS MAVERICKS — Suspended G Delonte West for conduct detrimental to the team.

NFL

ARIZONA CARDINALS — Released WR Gerell Robinson.
BALTIMORE RAVENS — Placed CB Lardarius Webb on injured reserve. Signed RB Bobby Rainey from the practice squad.
PHILADELPHIA EAGLES — Fired defensive coordinator Juan Castillo. Promoted secondary coach Todd Bowles to defensive coordinator.
PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Suspended NT Alameda Ta'amu two games for conduct detrimental to the team.

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	3	3	0	.500	188	137
N.Y. Jets	3	3	0	.500	133	141
Miami	3	3	0	.500	120	117
Buffalo	3	3	0	.500	137	192

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	5	1	0	.833	173	115
Indianapolis	2	3	0	.400	100	145
Tennessee	2	4	0	.333	114	204
Jacksonville	1	4	0	.200	65	138

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	5	1	0	.833	161	118
Cincinnati	3	3	0	.500	149	163
Pittsburgh	2	3	0	.400	116	115
Cleveland	1	5	0	.167	134	163

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	3	3	0	.500	170	138
San Diego	3	3	0	.500	148	137
Oakland	1	4	0	.200	87	148
Kansas City	1	5	0	.167	104	183

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	4	2	0	.667	178	114
Philadelphia	3	3	0	.500	103	125
Washington	3	3	0	.500	178	173
Dallas	2	3	0	.400	94	119

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Atlanta	6	0	0	1.000	171	113
Tampa Bay	2	3	0	.400	120	101
Carolina	1	4	0	.200	92	125
New Orleans	1	4	0	.200	141	154

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	4	1	0	.800	149	71
Minnesota	4	2	0	.667	146	117
Green Bay	3	3	0	.500	154	135
Detroit	2	3	0	.400	126	137

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	4	2	0	.667	110	97
San Francisco	4	2	0	.667	152	94
Seattle	4	2	0	.667	110	93
St. Louis	3	3	0	.500	110	111

WEEK SIX

Monday's result
Denver 35 San Diego 24
Sunday's results
Miami 17 St. Louis 14
Baltimore 31 Dallas 29
Atlanta 23 Oakland 20
Tampa Bay 38 Kansas City 10
N.Y. Jets 35 Indianapolis 9
Detroit 26 Philadelphia 23
Cleveland 34 Cincinnati 24
Seattle 24 New England 23
Buffalo 19 Arizona 16
Washington 38 Minnesota 26
N.Y. Giants 26 San Francisco 3
Green Bay 42 Houston 24
Thursday, October 11
Tennessee 26 Pittsburgh 23

WEEK SEVEN

Thursday's game
All Times Eastern
Seattle at San Francisco, 8:20 p.m.
Sunday's games
Tennessee at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Baltimore at Houston, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Arizona at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Dallas at Carolina, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Oakland, 4:25 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at New England, 4:25 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 8:20 p.m.
Monday, October 22
Detroit at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

TENNIS

ATP-WTA KREMLIN CUP

At Moscow
MEN
Singles — First Round
Alex Bogomolov, Jr., Russia, def. Nikolay Davydenko (5), Russia, 7-5, 6-4.
Carlos Berlocq (7), Argentina, def. Andrey Kuznetsov, Russia, 1-6, 6-4, 6-3.
WOMEN
Singles — First Round
Dominika Cibulkova (5), Slovakia, def. Ekaterina Makarova, Russia, 2-6, 6-4, 6-2.
Simona Halep, Romania, def. Nadia Petrova (6), Russia, 3-6, 7-5, 7-5.
Tsvetana Pironkova, Bulgaria, def. Varvara Lepchenko, U.S., 6-0, 7-6 (3).
Vesna Dolonc, Serbia, def. Galina Voskoboeva, Kazakhstan, 1-6, 6-1, 6-4.

ATP ERSTE BANK OPEN

At Vienna, Austria
Singles — First Round
Paolo Lorenzi, Italy, def. Benoit Paire (7), France, 6-4, 6-4.
Grega Zemlja, Slovenia, def. Xavier Malisse (8), Belgium, 4-6, 6-1, 7-6 (6).
Vasek Pospisil, Vancouver, def. Andreas Haider-Maurer, Austria, 3-6, 7-6 (3), 6-1.

CFL

WEEK 16

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
x-Montreal	15	9	6	0	406	417	18
Toronto	15	7	8	0	339	381	14
Hamilton	15	5	10	0	438	481	10
Winnipeg	15	4	11	0	295	460	8

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
x-B.C.	15	11	4	0	402	288	22
x-Calgary	15	9	6	0	430	350	18
Saskatchewan	15	8	7	0	397	327	16
Edmonton	15	7	8	0	351	354	14

Saturday's results
Calgary 32 Winnipeg 21
Edmonton 37 Saskatchewan 20
Sunday's result
Montreal 24 Toronto 12
WEEK 17
Friday's games — All Times Eastern
Winnipeg at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Edmonton at B.C., 10 p.m.
Saturday's games
Montreal at Saskatchewan, 3:30 p.m.
Hamilton at Calgary, 7 p.m.

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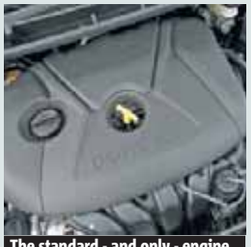
2013 Hyundai Elantra GT

- **Type.** Four door, front wheel drive, compact hatchback.
- **Engine (hp).** 1.8-litre DOHC I4 (148).
- **Transmissions.** Six-speed manual, six-speed automatic (optional).
- **Base Price (incl. destination).** $20,650



The standard - and only - engine is a 148-horsepower 1.8-litre four-cylinder.

Transmission

The GT as well as the rest of the Elantra trio, operates with a 1.8-litre four-cylinder engine that produces 148 horsepower and 131 pound-feet of torque. The peppy mill is rated at 7.2 l/100 km in the city and 4.9 highway when connected to a six-speed manual transmission, and 7.3/5.0 with optional six-speed automatic.

Styling

An added bonus is the GT's slippery-shaped design that rivals the Coupe's, although all three Elantras are handsome rigs in their own way. The GT's Hyundai Veloster-style open-mouth grille/air intake resembles the Coupe's, with both body styles eschewing the sedan's more conservative schnoz.

Fuel economy

Hyundai claims the GT possesses about a 720-kilometre maximum range, which is as much a function of gas-tank size as it is fuel economy. It also doesn't hurt that, at a relatively light 1,265 kilograms, the GT is 70-90 kilograms lighter than its primary rivals.

Review. New GT isn't as big as the Touring but it speaks our kind of language: design language

MALCOLM GUNN
Wheelbase Media

If a hatchback is on your radar, the Hyundai Elantra GT with its "Fluidic Sculpture" design language might prove to be the right thirst-quencher.

In a world gone mad for small, fuel-efficient cars – not surprising given today's pump prices – Hyundai's compact lineup attempts to cover the bases. If your search involves acquiring a vehicle with purposeful practicality, the new Elantra GT might fill the bill just as easily as you can fill its flexible-stowage area.

The GT fills the void left by the departing Elantra Touring model, but not in the most direct way. Although neatly styled, the Touring was first and foremost a wagon, while the more rounded GT is definitely hatchback-oriented. Yes, the lines between hatch and wagon tend to get a bit fuzzy, but with about an 18-centimetre deficit in overall length and 20 per cent less total cargo space the GT qualifies as a hatchback.

In back, a 60:40 split rear bench folds relatively flat. By Hyundai's slide rule, the GT has more cargo and passenger room than several of its peers, including the Golf, Ford Focus and Mazda3 hatches.

For serious drivers, the GT's firm suspension with stiffer springs, shocks and stabilizer bars is definitely appreciated.

Then there's the accessory packages if your pockets are deeper that bundle a panoramic sunroof, rear-view camera leather seats and other trinkets. Selecting a hatchback and sprinkling it with some performance-like attitude seems like a tempting way to go about your business and that applies to the Elantra GT, which also thumbs its nose at gas pumps while toting life's treasures, human and otherwise.

Taking the test: Honda offers up some real-world hybrid Insight

AutoKnow. Today's crossbreeds appear good on paper, but how do they handle the open road?

JOE KNYCHA
Wheelbase Media

It's widely known that hybrid vehicles shine brightest in high-density stop-and-go traffic, achieving in the process low fuel consumption and ultra-low greenhouse-gas emissions. That's because the built-in electric motor helps the gas engine get the car rolling.

But how are they on the open road? More to the point, how do they fare in wide-ranging road traffic? Can they cover great distances in comfort yet deliver a decent ride without working their little hybrid hearts into a state of mechanical coronary?

In an attempt to answer the bigger questions of the universe, Honda surrendered a new-generation Insight hybrid for an outing through the rugged Precambrian shield running alongside Lake Superior, which borders Michigan. The average speed was about 100 km-h over 10 hours with frequent scenic stops along the way; the road climbs and drops majestically, all the while snaking along Superior's craggy shores.

Spirited driving isn't the point of the Insight and so, responsibly, we steadfastly minded speed limits and drove in as smooth a manner as possible with lightly applied throttle inputs to probe its higher-speed fuel economy. The gasoline/electric drive system, though able to deliver near-brisk performance if required, is in its element when the driver strives for economy and smoothness.

The Insight actually assists in this effort through in-dash displays that show: fuel consumption; when it's running on gas, electric or both; and when the on-board batteries are being re-charged, capturing the Insight's rolling (kinetic) energy through "regenerative" braking, and when decelerating.

Another readout displays a five-branch tree that rates the green-ness of the drive: the branches disappear or come back based on how aggressively the throttle is used. Push a little harder and the light that bathes the instrument panel blends to blue from green, returning to green when pressure eases. It's subtle and quietly keeps one mindful.

The 1.3-litre (that's just 79.3 cubic inches) four-cylinder gas engine has a single overhead camshaft, two valves per cylinder and variable valve timing. Driving the front wheels, it's small by conventional reckoning, but mated to Honda's fifth-generation Integrated Motor Assist (IMA) hybrid system, it carries the freight, operating quietly, seamlessly and effortlessly.

Sitting silently at the stoplights with the gas engine automatically shut down, you wouldn't think the Insight would win any drag races, but it does acquit itself well against other vehicles in its class. Acceleration can approach brisk when the throttle is pressed deep into the pile carpet mats, useful for passing maneuvers and when accelerating onto fast-moving freeways, but not so much for extending fuel economy.

Weight is typically the enemy of fuel economy, so it's with some irony that the IMA adds almost 25 kilograms over a comparably equipped Civic, yet gives superior fuel economy, which speaks well of the system's efficiency. Throughout the drive, fuel economy hovered mostly around the 5.0-l/100-km mark. After a while, it becomes almost obsessive to see how low you can drive the consumption, and for how long at a time.

The interior accommodates four average-sized adults. The front bucket seats are firm and began to feel that way after several hours. The dash and controls are well placed and functional though overhead glare on the spade-shaped cover at the top of the instrument panel was visible several times throughout the drive. The thick rear pillars that taper back to the tidy aerodynamic rear end make backing up an exercise in neck-craning, and the view through the rear-view mirror is restricted.

With the back seats folded flat, the seemingly small hatchback swallows a surprising amount of cargo, an essential quality for out-of-city driving. With the rear doors open and the hatch lid raised, loading large and bulky items is easy.

When the first-generation Insight beat all other hybrid-powered vehicles to market more than a decade ago, it launched a terrific idea, but in a body style that while looking sleek and futuristic, didn't exactly set the world ablaze. As two-seater coupe, it had limited cargo space and didn't fit many lifestyles.

Starting at about $22,000, the Insight offers all the functionality and then some of a compact sedan and depending on the view, in a somewhat futuristic design. The front disc/rear drum brakes are also unlike the original Insight's in that they have excellent pedal feel and are very easily modulated.

And to answer the obvious question many will ask: over the entire 800 kilometres, not once did a string of cars pile up behind us waiting to pass.

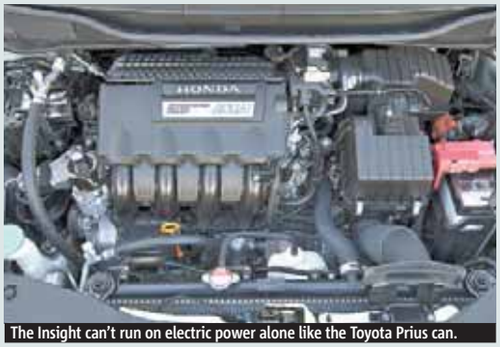
The Insight looks like a normal compact car because it is, and then some. It just adds an electric helper motor to assist accelerating the vehicle. ALL IMAGES WHEELBASE

As you can see, the current Insight has tons of room in the back.

The dash encourages conservation over a lead foot.

Under the hood

Burning regular gas, the engine rates at 88 (hp) at 5,800 rpm, with torque at 123 pound-feet at 4,500 rpm. When engaged, the IMA adds up to 13 more horses at 1,500 rpm and a further 58 pound-feet of torque to the mix. Unlike the Toyota Prius, the Insight fails to operate on electric power alone. When accelerating, the gas engine is always running, given a boost by the IMA.



The Insight can't run on electric power alone like the Toyota Prius can.

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Searching for second-hand gold? Choose your Quest wisely

Second Gear. 2004 to 2009 Quest minivan

ALL PHOTOS HANDOUT

For the 2004 model year, the Quest minivan hit the market with dual sliding doors, generous cargo capacities, and an even more unique, distinctive design than its predecessor.

Features included tire pressure monitoring, alloy wheels, power heated leather seats, a power tailgate, sunroof, heated mirrors, Bose audio, a self-dimming rearview mirror, power accessories, power-adjustable pedals and more.

Common Issues

Listen to the engine idle, after confirming its oil level and condition are satisfactory. Rattling sounds at idle or lower revs may be indicative of a rare but relevant timing-chain problem that's expensive to fix. This seemed to affect 2004 models, mostly.

Timing chains generally don't require maintenance as long as oil change schedules are strictly adhered to. Be sure that's been the case for the used Quest you're considering. Some owners have reported premature wear of consumable parts, like brakes, so note that a 'shimmying' sensation in the front end during braking indicates a brake job is likely in your Quest's future. Power tailgate and power sliding door mechanism failure may be other issues, alongside a water-leak that could be evidenced by moisture in the headliner.

What Owners Like

Typically, Quest's styling, unique design, sky-view roof system and upscale interior looks are highly rated by owners. Spaciousness, handling and overall comfort are also mentioned.

What Owners Dislike

Owner complaints deal with flimsy interior trim, poorly thought-out cupholder layout, limited third-row space and poorer-than-expected mileage.

Engine

All models come equipped with a 3.5 litre V6 with 240 horsepower driving the front wheels through an automatic transmission.

Verdict

To maximize the likelihood of reliable long-term operation, skip used Quest models with the sunroof, power sliding doors and power tailgate where possible.

A peek inside the Quest

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Blistering Bloodhound could eclipse famous free faller Felix in 2014

Land speed record. British team will try to beat Baumgartner's gravity-pulled speed with blue torpedo-like vehicle in the desert

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Want to go faster on Earth than skydiver Felix Baumgartner did returning to Earth? Then you'll have to get something like the Bloodhound rocket car. CONTRIBUTED

Like millions, I was awestruck by the images of Felix Baumgartner on the steps of his capsule, 39 kilometres above the Earth — a height that reveals the curvature of our planet and the blackness of space. Then he jumped. Wow.

His moment of release had to be one of the wildest and conflicted sensations ever experienced by a human.

But it was only the prelude. Then he accelerated to 1,342 km/h (834 mph)! That's a crazy number for a thing not attached to jet power.

It's also quite faster than the existing land speed record. A British team and its Thrust SSC rocket-car, hold the record, at 763 mph. That was over 15 years ago and speaks to how difficult is it to get a human going that fast down here on earth.

The same British team is planning another "go" in 2014, with its new rocket car, the Bloodhound. Last time they went after the sound barrier. This time they're shooting for 1,000 mph. To make that happen Bloodhound's rocket is designed to generate 27,500 pounds of thrust, the equivalent of 80,000 horsepower.

Felix Baumgartner had zero horsepower, zero thrust. His speed was simply another reminder of gravity's immense power, and another opportunity to ponder about harnessing it for our energy needs.

A gravity-engine under the hood of your Ford? Don't hold your breath. For starters, gravity engines are so far only theoretical. Apparently there are a couple of laws of physics spoiling the reality party. Secondly, these theoretical engines are taller than they are wide, for obvious reasons, and not at all cool looking. I wouldn't sign up for one on aesthetic reasons alone.

And thirdly, gravity is actually a weak force. It worked on Felix because he was so small, and the big old Earth was so big. So if we ever do use it for transportation, it would be on the mass transit side. The most bizarre concept utilizing gravity has to be the Gravity Train proposed by British scientist, Robert Hooke, sometime in the 17th century. He proposed a series of tunnels drilled through the Earth. One could connect Spain with New Zealand for example. A train entering the tunnel at either end would accelerate toward the centre of the earth, and then gradually decelerate after the halfway mark. According to Hooke's calculations, if the train operated in a frictionless environment it would reach the surface at the opposite end of the tunnel at the exact moment its speed reached zero.

Even less ambitious proposals for harnessing gravity power seem far-fetched. Most people believe that if we haven't figured it out yet, it's not going to happen. This is essentially the same argument about time travel — we never solve time travel, because no one from the past or future has visited us here in the present. I don't buy it… There was this creepy guy I saw at the mall once. I'm sure he was from the 1980s, he just didn't know it. So there's hope for gravity engines too.

Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
The more you do for friends and work colleagues today, the more they will do for you later on — and you will come out ahead of the game. Is that selfish? Maybe. But it's a higher kind of selfishness.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
Your task today is to focus all your attention and all your energy in a single direction. Don't let your concentration stray for even a moment. You can achieve something extraordinary, but you've got to be single-minded.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
Good things are going to happen over the next two or three days. Anything of a creative, romantic or artistic nature is under excellent stars at the moment. So, don't hold back. Give it all you've got.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
This is the ideal time to let partners and loved ones know how much you care for them. The Sun in the domestic area of your chart makes it easy for you to reveal your innermost thoughts and feelings.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
Get out into the world and have a good time. Meet as many interesting new people as you possibly can. Don't worry about your work. It will still be there waiting for you when you get back — if you get back!

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You want to buy yourself lots of pretty things, no matter how much they cost. But can you afford it? Don't spend up to your credit limit now and spend the rest of the year living on bread and water.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Make the most of the opportunities that come your way over the next few days. If you don't, you will hate yourself for being too slow and indecisive. Find the courage to take the kind of risks most people avoid.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You need to decide what is going to be your number one aim — and you need to get after it today and every day until you have reached your ultimate goal. What moves you? What inspires you?

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
The more you work with those who share your aims and ideals, the more of a positive effect you will have on the world around you — and the more fun you will have.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You are about to be tested and challenged like never before. Do you have what it takes to confront your inner demons? Do you have the strength to battle them and overcome them? Of course you do.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You have got to stand up for what you believe. Unless you are clear in your own mind what it is that's worth fighting for, you won't be able to persuade others to fight for it too. They need you to lead.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
There seems to be a lot of deception and trickery going on at the moment, so it will pay you to be on your guard. Anyone who promises you the world for a small investment is either mad or bad — or both.

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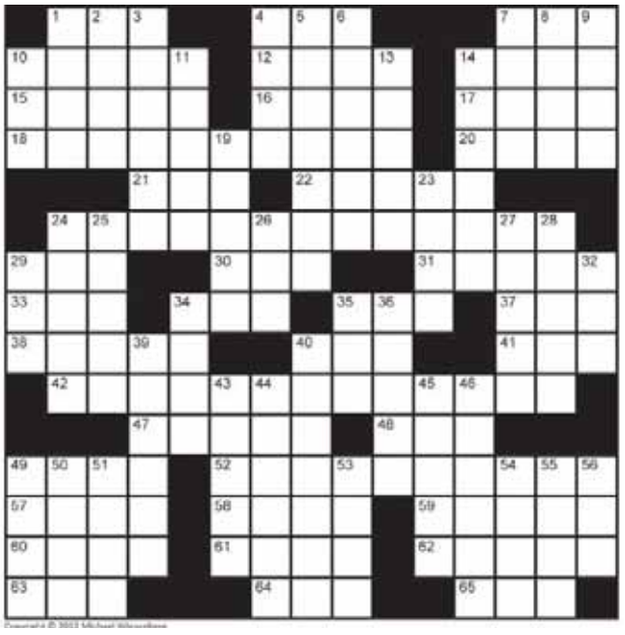
A Range, a City, a Group, a Province

BY MICHAEL WIESENBERG



Across
1. Existed
4. Chicken ___ king (2 wds.)
7. By what means
10. African animal whose full name means "river horse"
12. Ship's spar
14. Mentally sound
15. Syrian president Bashar al-___
16. *Free Willy* star
17. French islands
18. They form the Alberta-BC border (2 wds.)
20. Exam
21. Wed. preceder
22. Playful caper
24. PEI city known as "The Birthplace of Confederation"
29. Corrida cheer
30. ___ Vegas
31. Comment made while fanning oneself (2 wds.)
33. Day's coolest temperature
34. "Shame on you!"
35. Parliamentarians, for short
37. 7th Greek letter (looks like an H)
38. "___ circumstances beyond our control ..." (2 wds.)
40. Alumna bio word
41. Small drink of liquor
42. Rock band from Kingston, Ontario, nine of whose albums have reached #1 in Canada; with "The" (2 wds.)
47. Native New Zealander
48. Duo
49. Country road
52. Maritime Province (2 wds)
57. Great poker start
58. Baker's frosting tool
59. Add ___ of salt: recipe direction (2 wds.)
60. Canadian Liberal, familiarly
61. Adorable
62. Farm storage buildings
63. Poivre tablemate
64. Ocean
65. Santa's helper

Down
1. Desire
2. Altar end of church
3. Aggressive ancient Greek city-state
4. Violently frenzied
5. Cowboy ropes
6. Climber's task
7. ___ and hearty: able-bodied
8. Single units
9. BC's Coast
10. Chapeau
11. Smell
13. Delicate discrimination
14. Funny TV series, for short
19. Jail units
23. Response to "Can that be true?" (2 wds.)
24. Influence, as in politics
25. Tree cutter
26. Acorn dropper
27. "___ Was Young": Animals hit (2 wds.)
28. What a dissatisfied diner may leave (2 wds.)
29. Stale
32. Open, as a keg
34. Greek garb
35. *Mad Max* actor Gibson
36. Animal skins
39. Least thrilling
40. Artless simplicity
43. Classical architecture style dating back to ancient Greece
44. Early spring bloomer
45. Workout spots for women, for short
46. Sweatshirt with a top
49. Brings up the rear
50. 4,047 square metres
51. Toronto-born rocker Young
53. Carpet measurement
54. Exaggerated, as a story
55. "That ___ no concern to you": "None of your business" (2 wds.)
56. Satisfied sounds

Yesterday's Crossword

What's online

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

	9	3	5		4			8
		6	9	1	7			
	2		3					
		5				4	8	1
7	6	4				2		
					9		7	
			1	8	3	5		
6			7		2	1	4	

Yesterday's Sudoku

8	6	3	7	5	2	4	1	9
7	1	9	3	6	4	8	2	5
4	5	2	8	9	1	6	3	7
9	4	7	1	8	5	3	6	2
5	8	1	6	2	3	9	7	4
2	3	6	4	7	9	1	5	8
1	2	8	5	4	6	7	9	3
3	7	5	9	1	8	2	4	6
6	9	4	2	3	7	5	8	1

Weather

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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